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Commissioner Bob Odom and the Executive Office staff

Dear friends,

Every year the Advent season brings with it anticipation, waiting and expectation for the miracle that is to come. It's a time when we reflect on the past 12 months and look forward to the future and the promise that it holds.

For many of you, your families and friends, this Christmas season will be different from any other you've experienced. But remember, the miracle of Christmas and the promise of the New Year is that there are blessings to be bestowed upon us if we all wait patiently.

As another year approaches, we wish you joy, peace and comfort. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Louisiana is blessed to have so many dedicated farmers, ranchers, forest landowners, and friends of agriculture and forestry. We enjoy working with you and are thankful for the food, fiber and other products you provide us.

By the sweat of your brow and the toil of your plow, Louisiana will rise up to be a better place than it has ever been.

Peace be with you,

Bob & Millie Odom, his family and staff

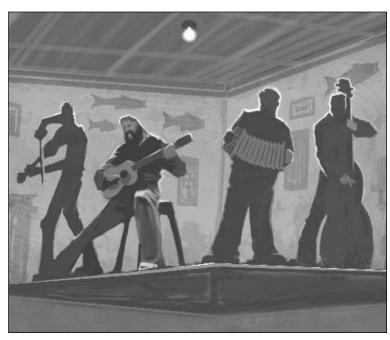


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'Overcoming his stage fright after a few numbers, Allan did more than hold his own with the older musicians and even sang a few songs.'

relieved no one had rushed out the restaurant to stop him. He reached the edge of the graveyard, and in no time was on the eastbound shoulder of the superhighway putting distance between him and Cajun Joe's. He only slowed his pace when he reached the second mile marker from the highway ramp entrance.

Sweating, but relaxed, he began to thumb for a hitch when the police car passed him. His heart sank when the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's car flashed the blue lights and abruptly pulled over. Allan froze and hoped beyond hope the deputy had not noticed him.

The siren blared for a split second. Then an amplified voice boomed from a hidden speaker. "Are you gonna just stand there boy or what?"

Allan approached the car window. "Let me see some ID, son." He handed his driver's license to the officer through the window crack. After a few minutes the window rolled down fully.

"You know why I stopped you, doncha?" Allan nodded.

"Get in," the deputy indicated the passenger side. Allan obeyed and his head was flung back immediately by the G-force of the car's abrupt U-turn across the highway median. The cruiser smelled like Skoal.

As the cop pulled up to Cajun Joe's, Allan murmured, "I'm sorry. I've never done anything like this before in my whole life." The deputy did not acknowledge his apology so Allan exited the cop car and returned to the restaurant for the second time that evening. Priscilla spotted him and said, "I don't know why you'd go and do a thing like that."

"I'm sorry, I don't know what I was thinking. What can I do to make things right?"

"I don't know, cher. Just go on in the office and Mr. Joe will take care of it." She directed him to a doorway behind the cashier. Allan entered the room and sat in a chair opposite a cluttered oak desk.

The office walls sported more music festival posters like the ones in the dining hall. There were autographed photos from Clifton Chenier, Rockin' Dopsie, Zachary Richard and Jerry Lee Lewis, but the one that impressed him most was a shot of Hank Williams on stage playing guitar. Standing next to Hank with an upright bass was a man Allan didn't recognize. Above Hank's signature was a note, "To Cajun Joe, I would've never found what I was meant to do without your help. Your Pal, Hank."

The door opened and the bass man from the photo walked in 50 pounds heavier and 50

years older.

"You like my food, podnuh?" old man asked.

"Yes sir, I do." "The sheriff tol'

me he pick you up on the innestate, that's right, eh?"

"Yes sir, he did."

"Where you going at? Where you from? Why you hitchhiking on the road?"

Allan told him about his finals at A&M, how he had no money and was overdue in Pierre Part, but made no mention of the stolen meal.

Cajun Joe stared at Allan uncomprehending-

"Tu comprende." Cajun Joe stopped himself and said in Cajun-accented English, "You from Pierre Part, you speak French?"

"Mais, oui."

"Bon," Cajun Joe continued in French, "You understand what you done. How it could be real bad for you, eh?"

"I know and I'm sorry."

Cajun Joe slipped back to English.

"There's nothing to be sorry about this time, but if you lose that guitar ... Did you know your guitar is worth thousands?"

Guitar? Where's my guitar? Allan frantically grabbed at his pockets and backpack as if he had merely misplaced his wallet, and then remembered, in his haste to escape without paying for the food, he forgot his guitar at the

Cajun Joe returned to French.

"Mais, this is not just any guitar. This is an Elloree 1939 12-string. Just like the one my old Poppa used to play. Where did you get it?"

"That old guitar? My Popitt ...my grandfather left it to me. I just picked it up a couple of years ago and taught myself how to play."

"That old thing? You taught yourself how to play a 12-string?" Cajun Joe thundered. "That old thing is the sweetest sounding guitar I ever heard, podnuh. You better take care of that old guitar. Old guitar—bah! I don't know what we going to do wit' you kids." He scratched his head. "What kind of stuff can you play?"

"Well, I know all the Cajun standards, but I also learned a buncha Hank Williams tunes."

Cajun Joe retrieved the vintage Elloree from its case and handed it to Allan.

"Play The Back Door."

Allan began to play and sing the French Louisiana song made popular by D.L. Menard, even emulating the old fashioned nasal tone the old French musicians favored.

"Not bad," said Cajun Joe. "Now play Les Flames d'Enfer, vou know, The Flames of Hell?" Allan did so.

"Oh, yeah, I could feel the flames of hell on my back when you played it yeah, boy." He pronounced boy like "baw." "You said you could play some Hank. Let's hear it.'

Warmed up, Allan ripped into Lovesick Blues, and without asking, finished up with a quick verse of Jambalaya.

Just then there was knock on the door and Priscilla came in.

"Mr. Joe, Ralph and the band is here but they got a problem. Louis is sick again and can't play tonight. You want me to go tell 'em to go

eyes and wrinkles as deep as a river came into

Turning to Allan he said, "Boy, this here's Ralph...'

Allan finished, "Ralph Thibeaux of the leg-

Thibeaux shook hands with the younger man and smiled broadly, "How you know me,

Allan further astonished the old man when

"Ralph, you got to listen to this boy play that guitar. Play him something, boy, I mean, what's your name, boy?"

"Allan Richard," he pronounced it French

"Ralph, let Allan play you sometin'," said

"Love Bridge Waltz, uh, La Pont d'Amour,"

"It sure sounds good on a 12-string, yeah,"

"Where you learned to play like dat?" asked

lying around. He showed me a few chords and when I began to learn, the songs seemed easy enough. He told me all about the Louisiana

ed him to play for the evening's restaurant job.

hesitated. "I don't know. I got to get home. I'm

now." "It pays one hunnert dollars," said Cajun J o e which was all Allan needed to

"Oh, mais no. Tell Ralph to come in here." A few minutes later, a tall thin man with dark

"Ralph, I found you a new guitar player."

endary Louisiana Ramblers."

he replied in French, "I know all about Ralph Thibeaux and the Louisiana Ramblers. The Ramblers been playing music since 1947. You've been nominated for three Grammys in the last five years."

Cajun Joe.

Thibeaux requested and Allan played the love ballad with so much feeling and conviction the old musician was moved.

noted Cajun Joe.

Thibeaux. "Well, my Poppit played some of that French music and had a bunch of old Iry LeJeune, Aldous Roger and Belton Richard records

Ramblers."

Satisfied with the boy's skill, Thibeaux invit-"We're getting ready to start right now."

Allan overdue

> 'A huge semi slowed down and pulled onto the shoulder. Crimson and green running lights lined the top edge of the holiday cherry red trailer and the cab was decked out low-rider style vision. with ultra-violet lights under the nerf bars.'

"Well, thanks for the tip, but all of my tickets were paid. There was even a 15 percent tip and I wasn't expecting nothing. College kids like you usually don't tip good." The bill disappeared somewhere into her bosum.

Allan thanked Cajun Joe and Ralph, and moved toward the door.

"I need a good reliable guitar player next month to go to Europe," Ralph said as he thrust his card in Allan's hand. "The job's yours if you want it. Give me a call next week and we'll talk about it. You good, kid, but you not the best. But maybe when we finish wit' you, you will be.'

Allan was still scratching his head in wonderment at his good fortune as he walked past the cemetery toward the four-lane.

The siren noise startled him from behind

"You gonna get in or what?" blared the deputy's voice.

Allan walked to the cruiser door and peered inside the window. "I can bring you to the parish line, if that helps, boy."

"Yeah sure, that'll be great," Allan said as he got into the vehicle for the second time that night. The deputy, holding the wheel with one hand, as the other clutched a styrofoam cup for tobacco spit, took off like a Hollywood stunt driver and quickly reached the Jefferson Davis parish line. After the drop off, Allan walked the empty prairie highway a good five miles humming I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry before he even saw another car.

Traffic was sparse as it was now well after 1 a.m. and plenty cold by Louisiana standards. The north wind rolled a thick fog across the rice country flat land, and Allan could barely see five yards ahead. He decided he'd sleep under the next overpass bridge when he heard the jingle bells.

As he turned to see what was making the sound, a huge semi slowed down and pulled onto the shoulder. Crimson and green running lights lined the top edge of the cherry red trail-

er and the cab was decked out lowrider style with ultraviolet lights under the nerf bars. Α big evergreen wreath zip tied to the grill completed the

amplified

Overcoming his stage fright after a few numbers, Allan did more than hold his own with the older musicians and even sang a few songs.

Cajun Joe pulled Allan aside during the break, "Boy, I heard 'em all, from Jimmy Rodgers to ol' Hank. Oh, mais yeah, you got what it takes, podnuh."

By the end of the performance, Allan had become the center of attention and was warmly applauded and slapped on the back by dancers and musicians alike. He collected his wages and presented Priscilla with a 10-dollar

"This is for you, ok, you know, for not tellin" on me."

Taking the crisp bill, the waitress looked puzzled. "Whatchu talkin' about, honey?"

Allan cast a conspiratorial glance around him and leaned closer. "I didn't pay for my meal. I jus' left. I stole it."

voice blared, "Ho, ho, ho. Are you gonna get in, son, or what?"

Allan barely had time to comprehend the passenger door lettering — Eight Tiny Reindeer, Trucking, Inc. — when it popped opened.

A feminine hand reached out from the darkness within and pulled him up.

Allan's vision adjusted to the cab's dim glow and revealed a tiny manger scene on the dashboard. The ceiling was lined with tiny Christmas lights and strands of tinsel hung on the windows. A gear shift handle shaped like a reindeer head complete with a bright red ball for the nose/knob added to the surreal effect.

Allan recognized the driver as the Santa Claus man he saw earlier at Cajun Joe's.

"Ha, ha, we're going to Pierre Part. Is that on your way?" The voice was so hearty the old See Santa in Sulphur, page 10

# Louisiana Agriculture & Forestry Today Odom concerned by attempts to repeal Byrd Amendment

Following a vote by the U.S. House of Representatives to repeal the Byrd Amendment, which returns to the domestic crawfish industry tariffs collected on imported Chinese crawfish, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom is urging the state's Congressional delegation to stand up for Louisiana's crawfish industry.

Odom said he hopes Congress will not only preserve the current Byrd Amendment, but even consider expanding it to include crawfish farmers.

"We fought long and hard to get the tariffs in place and the money collected rightfully belongs to the industry," Odom said. "The crawfish processors have basically been put out of business by importers who illegally dumped their product into the market. Without processors, the crawfish producers and fishermen lose another market for their live crawfish.

"Even with the tariffs, which often go uncollected or the importers find a loophole to dodge them, the industry is struggling. I can't believe they would even consider taking this away."

The measure that abolishes the Byrd Amendment is attached to a House bill that cuts federal spending. The Senate version of the spending reduction does not eliminate the Byrd Amendment, also known by its proper name the Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act (CDSOA).

The Byrd Amendment was enacted in 2001 to allow American companies to receive

revenue collected as duties or tariffs from foreign companies who sell their goods below cost in the United States.

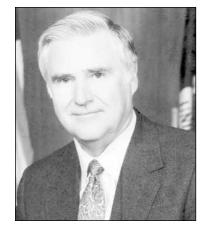
Since that time, Louisiana's crawfish industry has received \$25.4 million under provisions of the Byrd Amendment. Before the law, and if the House provision comes to pass in the final spending reduction bill, the money would go to the U.S. Treasury.

"I know our Representatives and Senators recognize the importance of the Byrd Amendment to the industry and I hope they will work with others in Congress to keep it in place and even expand it to include producers," Odom said.

"I've heard other Congressional members refer to it as a subsidy or they've called it protectionism. The only thing we're protecting is our ability to feed and clothe ourselves. Imports that come into our markets well below the cost of actually producing them are not fair to producers and do nothing to help our citizens. Instead, they put our people out of work and in the unemployment line. They also jeopardize our national security.

"In order to remain safe, the United States needs companies and industries that can supply its people. Do we really want to outsource our food and fiber like we have our computers, cars and oil?"

Farm-raised crawfish contribute more than \$41.7 million to the state's economy annually. This does not include income generated by the further processing of crawfish tailmeat.



**Bob Odom Commissioner** 

Odom said he's closely monitoring action on the bill and urges concerned citizens to contact their Representatives and Senators regarding the Byrd Amendment.

### **CATTLE**

No grade sires listed in the interest of better livestock. All dairy cattle 20 mos. of age, beef cattle 24 mos. of age, or pasturient or post pasturient animals of any age offered for sale, except for immediate slaughter, must have valid 30-day negative brucellosis test certificate. Contact La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 1951, Baton Rouge, La. 70821-1951.

REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, your parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm Bureau.

**Bull calves,** Holstein & Jersey, weaned & on feed, all shots, \$175/1-up. Ron Pope, Franklinton; (985) 839-5271 or (985) 515-3996.

(15) Char., (5) calves, \$20,000/all. T. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

(3) stocker cows, 4-7 yrs., 6 & 7 mo. bred avg. wt. 1000 lbs., \$2300/all. M. Bridges, Kentwood; (985) 229-3806.

Red Angus bull, 5 yrs., from reg. stock, lbw, \$1200. Ted Paul, Deville; (318) 613-7192.

**Pb Char. bull,** 20 mos., breeding age, no bad habits, very gentle, polled & tested, \$1400; pb. Char. heifers, polled, vacc., \$900. Philip Melancon, Church Point; (337) 873-6232.

**Reg. Char. bulls,** 15-18 mos., Duke bloodline, no bad habits, gentle, polled, straight back, semen tested, \$1600/1-up. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

(3) red Brangus-type long yrlg. heifers, exposed to reg. red Brangus bull, \$900/1; reg. red Brangus cow, 4 yrs., bred to reg. bull, \$1000; reg. red Brangus bull, 4 yrs., estimated wt. 1900 lbs., \$1500. Donald Rasberry, Basile; (337) 824-4117.

Reg. Texas Longhorns, high quality, excel. breeding, good

cond., breeding age bulls, \$850-\$2500/1; heifers, \$700/1-up; prs., \$950/1-up; ropers, 300-400 lbs., \$400/1. Daniel LaBorde, Marksville; (318) 253-5435.

(70) Brangus heifers, exposed to lbw Braford bulls, \$975/1. John Boudreaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-6743.

**Reg. Char.** bulls, (3) coming 2 yrs., semen tested, \$1500/1. Dillard Stewart, Albany; (225) 567-3848 or (985) 981-1023.

**BBU Beefmaster** bulls, top bloodlines, good conform., some ready for heavy service, \$850-\$1250/1. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs; (225) 654-8816.

**Reg. polled** bulls, 14-18 mos., excel. EPDs, lbw, high weaning & yrlg. wts., very gentle, \$1000/1-up; heifers, 8-11 mos., vacc. & all shots, (12) avail., \$1000/1. Wesley Coffman, Leesville; (337) 239-2255.

(12) reg. Brangus bulls, 9-13 mos., \$1100/1-up; (10) reg. Brangus heifers, 9-12 mos., \$950/1-up. Raymond Watson, Denham Springs; (225) 931-6259 or (225) 665-3426, or David, (985) 514-1652 or (985) 229-7451.

**Reg. Char.** heifers, Budsmydad & Big Sky breeding, polled, bangs vacc., very gentle, all very fancy, all nice, \$800/1. Walter Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-7939.

**Reg. Char.** bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmydad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. W. Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-7939.

**Reg. blk.** Limousins, bulls, (1) horned, 18 mos., \$1200; (2) polled, 12 mos., \$1200, cows & heifers also avail., reg. transfer included in price. Michael LeDoux, Rayne; (337) 334-2820.

**Reg. polled** Shorthorn bull, 26 mos., red & wh. excel. bloodlines, \$1375. Clay Boudreaux, Gray; (985) 855-5255.

**Reg. Beefmaster** wean. bull, born 2/28/05, polled, dark red, gentle, performance data avail., \$875. J. A. Girgenti, Amite; (985) 748-6992 or (985) 517-8559.

**Jersey & Beef** cross calves, heifers & bulls, \$150. K. Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

**Reg. red** Devon bulls, 11 mos., polled, gentle, New Zealand bloodline, excel. for cross breeding & grass finished beef, \$1000/1. Bobbie Womack, Greensburg; (225) 222-4581 or (225) 933-9245.

**Reg. gray** Brahman bull, born 2/21/04, \$1500. Karen Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

**Reg. Brahman** heifer, born 5/1/04, \$2500. K. Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

**Reg. 5 yr.** milking Shorthorn nurse cow, halter broke, freshen 9-23, \$800. Kent Brown, Jennings; (337) 584-2117.

**Jersey & Holstein** nurse cows, some w/calves, \$700/1-up. Kurt Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

**Reg. horned** Hereford bulls, 7-10 mos., Pure Gold, Line One & Mark Donald bloodlines, all shots & wormed, on feed, \$1000/1-up. Paul Seaux, Sunset; (337) 668-4501 or (337) 277-8751.

(250) bred tiger stripe Brangus, calving now, \$1250/1, all or none. W. A. Lucky, III, Bossier City; (318) 453-5685.

**Pb Char.** bulls & heifers, bulls, \$600/1; heifers, \$500/1. John Southworth, Hammond; (225) 567-9726

(44) **Brangus** heifers, bred, palpitated, 10/21/05, gentle, to begin calving Feb. '06, \$1200/1. Calvin Johnson, Hineston; (318) 793-5239 or (318) 481-7530.

**Reg. 5/8, 3/8** Braford bulls & heifers, champ. bloodlines, gain test leaders, weaned heifers, \$800/1-up; bred heifers, \$1300/1-up; 2 yr. bulls, \$1500/1-up. Fred Elsing, Alexandria; (318) 442-0741 or (318) 447-1145.

(26) blk. heifers, exposed to Angus bull since March, gentle & dog broke, \$1200/1. John Briscoe, Elton; (337) 584-2751.

**Reg. Simm.** & Simbrah heifers, bulls & prs., \$850/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**5/8, 3/8 Braford** bull, born 2/05, \$1200. Greg Trahan, Kaplan; (337) 789-7821 or (337) 367-3308.

**Reg. Brangus** bulls, Exacto, Cadence, Transformer bloodlines, 1-4 yrs., gentle, \$1200-\$1800/1. Robert Coleman, Franklinton; (985) 848-9714.

**Reg. Angus** bulls, coming 2 yrs., semen checked, EPDs, \$2000/1; Hereford bulls, \$1800/1, long & thick, ready to go to work, very gentle, best bulls ever raised. J. Patrick, St. Francisville; (225) 635-4614, (225) 635-4951 or (225) 721-1478.

**Reg. Limousin** bull, 24 mos., red, heavy muscle, polled, very gentle, excel. EPDs, \$1200. Morris Griffin, Raceland; (985) 537-3651.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bulls & heifers, 8 mos., \$700/1. Clinton Breland, Angie; (985) 848-9213.

(2) blk. Angus heifers, 10 mos., \$500/1; 18 mo. Brangus bull, \$1000; cows & calves, \$750/1. J. Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

**Reg. Char.** bulls, top bloodlines, good EPDs, gentle, semen tested, all AI, \$1400/1-up. Hilary Watson, Montpelier; (225) 777-4558.

**Reg. Beefmaster** bull, '05 La. reserve grand champ & LSU, dark brown, born 2/19/03, gentle, U classified, calves on ground, JBBA owner, \$2000. Mitch Deville, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-1718.

**Char. bulls** & heifers, 6-8 mos., King Grazer, Wyoming Wind bloodline, polled, gentle, \$550-\$850/1. G. Perron, Opelousas; (337) 942-5272.

(22) golden cert. FI heifers, 8 mos.-1 yr., very nice, \$1000/1, firm. P. Watts, Livingston; (225) 686-1306 or (225) 445-3298.

**Reg. Beefmasters,** bulls & heifers, bred & open heifers, paint & blk., bulls avail, \$850/1-up. S. Hanna, Coushatta; (318) 932-5062.

(9) 11 mo. Brangus heifers, open, \$8000/1; (10) 18 mo. Brangus heifers, open, \$1000/1. Mark Ledoux, Livingston; (225) 698-

Reg. Simm. bulls, big, rugged,

thick butt, high growth, 2 yrs., from easy calving & homozygous bloodlines, AI sired from breeds leading sires, \$2500/1-up. Gene Strother, Amite; (985) 747-0789 or (985) 969-6005.

**Reg. blk.** Simm. yrlg. bulls, large selection, most AI sired, big, growthy, thick muscled, all from HZ blk. bloodlines, ready for light service, able to breed 20-25 cows, \$1500/1-up. Nell Strother, Amite; (985) 747-0789 or (985) 969-6005.

**Brangus bull,** 18 mos., \$1000; cows, w/calves, \$750/1. Justin Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bull, AI sired by BR Midland, 12 mos., EPDs BW+1.2, YW+74, UIMF+0.49, beef value +40.45, \$2800. B. Pichoff, Covington; (504) 495-6416.

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#### **Bob Odom, Commissioner**

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**Reg. blk.** Angus bull, AI sired by Summitcrest High Prime, 23 mos., EPDs BW+0.6, YW+70, UIMF+0.13, URP+0.51, \$2000. Michael Pichoff, Covington; (504) 495-6416.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bull, AI sired by Bando 9074, 18 mos., EPDs BW+1.9, WW+34, YW+62, \$1500. M. Pichoff, Covington; (504) 495-6416.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bull, AI sired by Bando 9074, 18 mos., EPDs BW+1.6, WW+32, YW+55, \$1000. A. Pichoff, Covington; (504) 495-6416.

**Wanted:** gray Brahman cows. Jason Stockton, Russellville, AL; (256) 810-0779.

**Wanted:** (171) head of Brangus cows, bred, (3) Jersey nurse & milk cows, will trade rd. bales of hay. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

## HORSES, MULES & JACKS

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2002 AQHA bay mare, 15.1 hands, out of Zippididoodah, 30 days pro training, started on trails, prospect for Western disciplines, experienced rider, \$5000 nego. Charles Williams, Farmerville; (318) 368-6747.

**Dabble gray,** 4 yr. filly, great child's horse, fantastic trail horse, quiet, goes over poles, can open gates on her back, \$3000 obo. Lynne Mullens, Livingston; (225) 698-9250.

Grade Quarter type 12 yr. mare, does speed events, calf roping, team penning, does not need ridding everyday, well broke, nice rein handle, 11 yr. daughter has ridden, \$2000 nego. Reba Callahan, Doyline; (318) 745-6056.

10 yr. flashy blk./wh. TW mare, 4 wh. stockings, 15.1 hands, large frame, extra gentle & smooth gaited, anyone can ride, no bad habits, \$1500. La Juan Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

**8 yr. cremello** TW mare, large frame, 15 hands, wh. mane & tail, smooth gaited, extra gentle, anyone can ride, \$1350. Jack Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

**5 yr. pal. TW** mare, blaze face, flax mane & tail, 14.2 hands, small head, very sweet & gentle, broke to ride, \$1200. Chancey Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

2 ½ yr. reg. NSSHA strawberry roan sabino paint geld, 14.2 hands, small head, very sweet & gentle,

broke to ride, \$1200. Chancey Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

1 ½ yr. pal. TW filly, large framed & well gaited, blaze face, wh. mane & tail, ready for training, \$800. Calvin Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

**App. horses,** yrlgs., broodmares & riding prospects, \$1000/1-up. Ruby or Jimmy Berry, Marion; www.berryappaloosafarm.com or (318) 292-5178.

**Paso Fino** colt, blk., grandson of Amadeus, 20 mos., placed 5th in grand nationals, \$15,000; others avail., \$2500/1-up. Mike Clark, Ville Platte; (337) 363-0607.

**Reg. TWs,** weans., yrlgs., gelds., broodmares, pal., buckskin, bay roan, red roan, blue roan, gray, sorrel, bay, blk., \$1000/1-up, layaway. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7365.

**Reg. TW paint,** Evel Knevel bloodline, very gentle, excel. gait, rebred to blk./wh. paint, has 8 mo. filly, \$2500/both. Jim Broussard, Broussard; (337) 837-1368.

**4 yr. reg. blue** papered Missouri Fox Trotter geld., trail ready, loads, clips, ties, shoes, crosses water & bridges, great little trail horse, \$2500. Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

**4 yr. reg. Missouri** Fox Trotter geld., beautiful dapple gray, ridden on trails, big motor, not for beginners, finish him out for \$2500 or we finish & the price goes up. Donnie Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

1996 Big stout QH blk. geld., 15 hands, 1300 lbs., used for team roping, heading, pasture roping, team penning & sorting, trail riding, also kids rode him barrel racing, great handle, gentle, good conform., fast, all shots, no bad habits, not reg., \$3500. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225)

**Reg. miniature** horses, mares & (1) at stud, all up to date on shots, very gentle, \$800/1-up. Shirley Marshall, Hessmer; (318) 563-4983.

**AQHA reg.** pal. stallion, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, top & bottom, \$6000 nego. E. J. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Blk. & wh. App. stallion, Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234 bred, \$5000 nego. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

**2004 AQHA** stud colt, Doc Bar bloodline, sorrel, w/blaze, flashy, very gentle, all shots, loves people, \$500. Kenneth White, Lecompte; (318) 776-9166 or (318) 451-1536.

**3 yr. QH mare,** in foal to pal. TW stud, also has 7 mo. pal. filly, other mares & gaited gelds. avail., \$550 & up. Tim Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-0242.

APHA '02 bay & wh. tobiano geld., 75% bay, 25% wh., 14.2 hands, broke to ride, 10 wks. training, bloodline on papers, Little Plain Peppy (QH), Little Solitario (QH), Peppy San Bager (QH), LA Solitaria, Colarado Sonny, \$1500. E. J. Olivier, Carencro; (337) 896-6205.

3 yr. AQHA dun filly, 4 wh.

socks & blaze, Rockets Magic x Black JB Cody, 90 days riding, great barrel prospect, \$3500. B. D. Fontenot, Eunice; (337) 457-5685.

**Arabians, reg.** fillies & mares, excel. Spanish & Egyptian bloodlines, exceptional quality, must sell, \$2500/1-up, terms avail. F. Larry Martinez, Port Barre, (337) 585-6969

**4 yr, sorrel mare,** broke to ride, rode in trail rides, \$900. Melvin Thornton, Olla; (318) 495-5661.

**7 yr. reg.** QH geld., 15 hands, very well built, has been used to trailride & push cattle, \$1000. James Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

**Gentle & good** riding QH mare, easy to ride, \$850. Phyllis Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355.

**7 mo. blk. & wh.** TW colt, \$400; 4 mo. MFT colt, \$275. Blake Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

**Reg. QH weans.,** bred for versatility, performance bloodlines, \$800/1-up. Johnny Steib, Lottie; (225) 637-2474 or (225) 718-1975.

(10) well bred AQHA & APHA horses, some dbl. reg., trained by pros & ridden by youth & mature riders, many w/points in the show ring, also (5) good trail riding horses. Ross Mixon, Pride; (225) 654-9254.

AQHA 17 yr. sorrel geld., son of Smart Little Lena, by daughter of Freckles Playboy, used for sorting & penning, money earned in cutting, penning & sorting, great for any rider, child, woman, competition, etc., \$4000. Charles Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

**Reg. 6 yr. QH,** Colonel Freckles bloodline, 14.2, heel horse, rates & scores, \$3500. Glenn Schexnaydre, Convent; (225) 806-2231.

2003 AQHA chestnut geld., very gentle, very broke, 15 hands, 1000 lbs., ready to train, good team roping or barrel prospect, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Two Eyed Jack, Dry Doc, Dry Doc 23, Gold Bailey, Passum Tammy, \$2500. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

AMHA reg. miniature horses, mares, fillies, colts & stallions, pintos, app., solids, \$500-\$2500. Brenda Hebert, Covington; www.goldenmeadow-minis.com, (985) 893-7907 or (985) 373-1393.

Miniature donkeys, solids, spotted jacks, 30"-32", spotted, \$400/1; solid jennets, \$600-\$1200 free spotted jack, w/the purchase of (2) donkeys. B. Hebert, Covington; www.goldenmeadow-minis.com, (985) 893-7907 or (985) 373-1393.

**2003 AQHA** pal. filly, Poco Bueno bloodline, halter broke, \$1500. Patrick Boudreaux, Napoleonville; (985) 369-6531.

(3) **solid blk.** Arabian stud colts, great quality, Egyptian/Spanish bloodlines, \$2500/1-up. D. Stoute, Opelousas; (337) 351-3815 or (337) 585-2642.

**2003 AQHA** filly, own daughter of Mr. Elusive N/H, big & muscled, w/long neck, show shape, \$8500 obo. Sandra Brunt, Ethel; (225) 683-3227.

**1999 APHA** mare, ROM halter, own daughter Prairie Gold, bottom Encore daughter, bred to APHA champ '06, easy keeper, sacrifice,

\$6000. Sandy Tynes-Lantrip, Ethel; (225) 683-1002.

**AQHA mare,** own daughter of Impressive Poise, proven producer mare, her '00 filly sold for \$25,000, bred to Cook Tall One '06, \$4800. S. T. Lantrip, Ethel; (225) 683-1001

**2001 APHA** geld., sorrel/wh tobiano, 15.1 green broke & very gentle, ready to learn whatever you want, \$1500. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

1 ½ yr. blue papered MFT geld., loads, clips, gentle, sorrel, w/blaze, ready to train, \$900. Felix Brown, Bastrop; (318) 281-9339.

(3) reg. Belgian mares, top bloodlines, broke to work, approx. 2000 lbs. each, (1) '89, 16.3 hands, \$1250; (1) '96, 17 hands, \$2000; '99, 17.2 hands, \$3000. Paul Davidson, Clinton; (225) 763-5425.

QH geld., 18 yrs., sorrel, automatic, barrels, timed events & roping, saddle winner 3xs, great for senior peanut, no bad habits, consistent, \$3000. Rebecca McLindon, Bush; (985) 892-2686.

**1987 AQHA** pal. mare, in foal to IBHA AQHA buckskin, great kid's horse, very gentle, \$1500; 7 mo. AQHA gray filly, Smart Little Lena & Poco Bueno bloodline, 800. Milton Kimble, Ethel; (225) 683-5873 or (225) 326-9112.

**7 mo. bay** colt, AQHA, Poco Bueno, Sugar Bars, The Ole Man breeding, excel. conform. & disp., halter broke, gentle, \$850. Doug Smith, Ball; (318) 201-9311.

2004 sorrel stud colt, awesome stallion prospect, cutting, roping, reining prospect, champ bloodlines, Doc Bar, Doc Quixote, Doc O'Lena, Tenino San, Mr. San Peppy, Leo, \$4500, others avail. David Bruce Meador, Lafayette; (337) 277-9657.

(3) gelds., (1) paint, (1) blk., (1) reg. QH, \$500/1-up, must sell, will trade. Jerry Dupuy, Busche; (225) 627-6638.

Miniature horses, (1) AMHA 33" sorrel pinto mare, tame, \$1000; (1) 34" mahogany bay mare, very gentle, \$550; (1) 30" blk. minimal wh. pinto colt, very gentle, \$400. Vincent or Megan Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities.com/friscofarms, (225) 625-4439 or (225) 223-2008.

**Reg. AQHA** colts, (3) bay, (1) sorrel, 18 mos., halter broke & saddle broke, (7) reg. weans., buckskin, pal., red roan, \$1000-\$1500. Peggy Miller, Bunkie; (318) 346-9280.

**Reg. QH,** 2 yr. geld., 3 mo. riding, \$1000; 2 yr. filly, bay, rides well, \$1500, both are out of world champ Caddo Creek Quixote. Terry Miller, Bunkie; (318) 346-9280.

**16 yr. reg.** QH mare, \$2000; 3 yr. sorrel filly, broke to ride, very gentle, \$1000. Brett Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-1270.

**10 yr. wh./gray** mare, excel. cow/roping, \$2500, firm. Bubba Strader, Clinton; (225) 683-8300.

**AQHA 15 yr.** pal. mare, born March '90, \$1200. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

**2005 AQHA** filly, born 5/8/05, red dun, w/star & strip on upper lip, right fore pastern white, left hind sock, big as a bear, Poco Bars Slack bloodline, \$800. C. Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

1998 AQHA geld., Bob Acre Doc on top, Doc's Prescription on bottom, cow horse or trail riding, take your pick, ridden by teenager, \$2800. Paul Miller, Iowa; (337) 588-4362

**Reg. Thoroughbred** filly, 3 yrs., 16 ½ hands, sired by own son of Seattle Slew & out of a stakes producing mare, \$1500. E. C. Rogé, Sr., Natchez; (318) 352-7001.

**Nice 15 yr.** barrel geld., 18 second barrel, 24 pole, \$1950. W. A. Lucky, III, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271

**AQHA '02** beautiful gray/blue filly, w/blk. points, Two-Eyed Jack, Oh Black Magic, barrel prospect, fast, gentle, 45 days riding, \$3000. Buck Harris, Baton Rouge; (225) 769-2978.

**Welsh pony,** 3 yr. mare, very gentle, not broken to ride, \$300 nego. R. Gassiott, Elizabeth; (318) 634-7183.

**Shetland ponies,** mares & gelds., broke to ride & pull carts, horses & saddle, \$600. Casey Fontenot, Washington; (337) 826-

**Reg. cutting** QH mare, 17 yrs., well trained, good for any kid to ride, \$1500. Randy Bourque, Lafayette; (337) 261-0561.

**Reg. 8 mo.** filly colt, \$800; (1) racing colt filly, out of good bloodlines. R. Bourque, Lafayette; (337) 261-0561.

**Training all** breeds, gentle colt starting, ranch using horses, problem horses, training, showing, sales, lessons & overnight boarding. Donnie or Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

**Wanted:** 1 or 2 miniature paint jennies. Norman Ordoneaux, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2641.

# STALLION SERVICE

**Arabians, reg.,** straight Spanish, gray, but produces color, champ bloodlines, extremely long neck, foals to show, Egyptian, snow white, multi champ at halter, very typey, sires exotic foals, both 15+hands, \$600, purebreds, others nego. F. Larry Martinez, Port Barre; (337) 585-6969.

**1998 golden** pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo Wimpy, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

2001 bay stallion, 14.2 hands, well built, pro trained, now being shown in cutting, lots of cow, Tanquery Gin, Doc O'Lena, Royal King, Doc Bar, Doc's Sug bloodlines, \$400/\$3 mare care. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

**AQHA/PHBA** pal. stallion, sire Mr. Golden Dish, Artic Blizzard, dam Skipas Foxy Lena, Fox Quest, \$350/\$6 mare care. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

**8 yr. grandson** of Puddenhead, bay, star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette B. Jackson, Jennings; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

Shining Sneakers, very calm & athletic, AQHA open superior reining, circuit championships, NRHA money earner, son of Shining Spark, \$750 plus mare care fee. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses.com, (225) 667-7415

**Reg. blk.** Mammoth jack, size, looks, disp. & bloodlines, intro fee for mares, \$150; jennies, \$200. Roy Firmin, Zachary; (225) 654-9566 or (225) 772-2040.

2002 AQHA sorrel stallion, out of excel. working horse stock, Peppy San Badger, Colonel Freckles, Doc O'Lena & Croton Oil Bill on papers, very easy to handle & breed, \$350. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 665-6137.

**Straight Egyptians** at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac, Tuhotmos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$750. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

Blue roan stallion, 62% Rowdy Blue Man, 31% Blue Valentine, line bred Hancock, (8) prs. of matched chromosomes, will reproduce foals like himself, very nice, must see, \$400/\$5 mare care. Laurie McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Chestnut stallion, Colonel Freckles, War Leo, Senor George & Son of a Doc, produces extremely nice foals, great disp. & easy on the eyes, \$400/\$5 mare care. Kyle McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

**Dun stallion,** 100% color producer, Doc's Hickory, Doc O'Lena, Peppy San, Sonita's Last, absolutely beautiful, a must see, \$400/\$5 mare care. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

**Pal. stallion,** Gay Bar King bred, 6th generation pal., 1st breeding season, limited breedings, \$350/\$5 mare care. Mallory McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

**Own son** of Tanquery Gin, out of Doc O'Lena on top & out Poco Bueno on bottom side, Big Red Dun, puts 98% color foals, \$450. W. Iguess, Jennings; (337) 584-3672.

**AQHA golden** pal. stallion, Peppy's Boy 895 x daughter of Maxi Lena, view pedigree at www.bayouquarterhorses.com, \$400, includes 1 wk. mare care. Romy Morvant, Thibodaux; (985) 446-0708.

Miniature blk. stallion, \$75, includes 1 wk. mare care. John Morvant, Thibodaux; (985) 446-0708.

Reg. 5 yr. blk. TW stallion, sire is I'm Dumas Walker, by the Pusher CG (WGC), by Mark of Carbon (WGC), dam is Star's Barbie Doll, by Johnny Cash, by Midnight Sun (WGC), 15.1 hands, great disp. & conform., \$300/\$5 mare care. Cody Darbonne, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

Reg. chestnut & wh. tobiano homozygous TW stallion, by Battle Colors & Paints Moon Man, 15.3 hands, guaranteed paint, beautiful & great disp., \$300/\$5 mare care. Melissa Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

**Reg. 4 yr.** blk./wh. tobiano, homozygous TW stallion, own son of Calvin Klein, by Bob's Beaucoup Boy, dam is Cheyenne's

Painted Lady, 16 hands, guaranteed paint, beautiful disp. & conform., \$300/\$5 mare care. Jim Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

2003 pb Arabian, gray, w/blk. mane & tail, blk. stockings, Polish & Egyptian bloodlines, 15.1 hands, handled everyday, parents both halter horses, very beautiful, \$2700 or stud \$500/\$5 mare care. Patricia Markow, Loranger; (985) 878-4230.

**2001 dark** bay, dbl. bred, Peppy San Badger on papers, Doc O'Lena, lots of cow blood, gentle, w/great disp., pro trained on cows, \$300/\$3 mare care. R. Simmons, Independence; (985) 878-3642.

Reg. AQHA buckskin stallion, sire is Peppy Freckles Bar, by Freckles Badger Doc, by Doc's Spencer Bar, dam is Ikes Shuqualak Belle, by Lemac Peponita Fox, by Sport Model & Smarty Poco, great disp., \$300/\$5 mare care. C. Darbonne, Opelousas; (337) 543-8578.

AQHA Royal Gypsy Lena, perlino stallion, out of North Dakota, has has it all, incredible breeding including Doc O'Lena, Gay Bar King, King Fritz, will produce dilute color on any color mare, guaranteed, his '05 1st crop is 100% buckskin, \$500/\$5 mare care. Jane Vidal, Loranger; (985) 878-4151.

**1995 APHA** blk./wh. tobianoovero stallion, pro trained in Western pleasure, gorgeous head, w/outstanding disp., \$250/\$5 mare care. J. Vidal, Loranger; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA pal. stallion, Poco Golden Bay Jr., gorgeous head & conform., produces tanks w/color, currently his babies earning APHA points in halter & color, Sport Model bred, \$300, \$5 mare care. Anthony Vidal, Loranger; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA bay stallion Doc Dude's Day, over 90% foundation bred, Doc Bar, King & Blondy's Dude bloodline, produces gorgeous babies, extraordinary disp. & conform., \$300/\$5 mare care. Jane Rhodes, Loranger; (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA, NFQHA,** Doc Dude's Daz, pal., over 90% foundation, Doc Bar & Kind bred, 3rd generation dilute, produces a lot of size on his babies, \$300/\$5 mare care. Mike Vidal, Loranger; (985) 878-4151.

# SHEEP & GOATS

**Reg. 93.75**% Boer buck, born 1/21/02, \$175. J. M. Miller, Sunset; (337) 896-0141 or (337) 662-3679.

**Reg. USBGA** fb Boer buck, 1 ½ yrs., excel. bloodline, ready to put on nannies, \$200. Earl Jones, Slaughter; (225) 654-2417 or (225) 322-6508.

**International** USGBA reg. Boer billy, Red Maple bloodline, very gentle, lots of offspring to see, \$400. E. Jones, Slaughter; (225) 654-2417 or (225) 322-6508.

**IBGA reg.** 3 ½ yr. SA buck, (3) 7 mo. SA does, Kaptien, Mr. Bingo, Bocephus bloodlines, \$350/1-up. David Asntee, Montgomery; (318)

646-2885. **(4) fat. male.** Katahdin sheep

(4) **fat, male,** Katahdin sheep, for breeding or butcher, \$85/1. Ellis Myers, Springfield; (225) 695-6203.

**5 yr. wh.** ADGA nubian buck, good disp., selling due to herd reduction, \$300. Shellie Clark, Sulphur; (337) 528-9878.

**Percentage Boer,** of Eggs bloodline, female, \$100/1; male, \$125/1. Anna Hernandez, Erwinville; (225) 627-6498.

**Brush goats,** all sizes, baby goats for pets, breeding age, all tame, under fence, \$100/pr.; billies, \$35/1. Doris Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

Nigerian dwarf goats, reg. & non reg., some w/blue eyes, \$100/1-up. Scott Dugas, Natchitoches; (318) 354-9971.

**Wanted:** (500) brush goats, tame & bred, will trade rd. bales of hay. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

# LIVESTOCK DOGS

**Reg. border** collie pups, red/wh. & blk./wh., parents direct imports from Wales & Scotland, good companions & working farm dogs, will demonstrate parents at work, \$300/1. Rodney Cotton, Pineville; (318) 640-2042.

**Border collie** male pups, \$250-\$300/1. Delois Senez, Walker; (225) 664-3150.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, off proven cattle stock, born 10/19/05, \$150/1. Kelvin or Ericka Petton, Port Allen; (225) 648-2992.

**Blk.-mouth** cur pups, working parents on premises, parents work cattle & hogs, \$45/1-up. Lemuel Ducote, Plaucheville; (318) 922-3833.

**Jack Russells,** reg. wormed & shots up to date, \$200. Elie Alleman, Lafayette; (337) 984-0632

**CKC male** great Pyrenees, 19 mos., raised w/goats, in pasture, working now, \$150 or possibly trade for female Pyrenees or goats of equal value. Ashley McWiggins, Pioneer; (318) 282-2747.

**Reg. Jack** Russell pups, \$200/1. Sarah Meche, Church Point; (337) 873-4041.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, born 9/8/05, leopards, glass eyes, had all shots, \$150/1. B. Bergeron, Eunice; (337) 457-1909 or (337) 546-6630.

**NSDR miniature** Australian shepherd pups, 4 wks., parents on premises, great champs., red merle, \$350; blk. tri, \$300. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove; (318) 428-8548 or (318) 647-5781.

**Reg. Jack Russell** pups, born Sept. 12, \$200/1. Ronald Lavergne, Church Point; (337) 668-4421.

**ABCA border** collie pups, out of imported bloodlines, used for working sheep & cattle, 9/5/05, \$350/1. Danny Ayo, Maurice; (337) 893-0988.

**Cow dogs,** brindle & yellow & blk.-mouth pups, working parents to show, track & hunt, these dogs role out, \$100; young started dogs, \$350/1-up. Lawrence Fontenot,

Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

**CKC reg. Great** Pyrenees pups, (3) solid wh., (3) badger marked, all males, parents are working guard dogs on farm, \$200. Donna, Burr Ferry; barrows3bellsouth.net or (337) 286-9353.

**AIBC reg.** border collie pups, born Oct. 7, sire #239159, \$350. M. Loggins, Scott; (337) 654-3421 or after 5 p.m. (337) 948-4103.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, all red & blue leopards, born 11/17/05, \$125. Chuck Methvien, Holden; (225) 567-3317 or (225) 507-7456.

NALC Catahoula red. leopard, 15 mos., beautiful male, w/glass eyes, \$150. C. Methvien, Holden; (225) 567-3317 or (225) 507-7456.

**NALC Catahoula** red leopard, 15 mo. female, \$150. A. Methvien, Holden; (225) 567-3317 or (225) 507-7456.

**AKC/UKC lab** retriever pups, written health, hip & eye guarantee, parents are proven hunter & have titles, \$600/1-up. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 445-5012.

**Jack Russell** pups, pb, parents on premises, (2) females left, 3 mos., smart, easy to train, no checks, \$200/1. Lloyd Menard, Eunice; (337) 457-3959.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, 7 wks. & 3 wks., \$150; adult working dogs also avail. Charlie Canizaro, Ponchatoula; (985) 320-4267 or (985) 370-0533.

1/2 **Jack Russell,** 1/2 rat terrier, parents on premises, very cute & very smart, great w/mice & snakes, \$75/1 cash only. L. Menard, Eunice; (337) 457-3959.

**Champ. bred** border collie pups, (1) beautiful choice male pup, born 9/26/05, out of my good Dryden Joe female, sire is Mack, '02 world champ cowdog pup, \$350. Whit Kellem, Baton Rouge; (225) 761-0490

**Wanted:** reg. Jack Russell adults, (1) male, (1) female, (1) 3 yrs. Tony Saragusa, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-4194.

## **SWINE**

**Feeder/weanling** pigs, corn fed, on concrete, weaning to 200 lbs., \$45/1. J. B Richard, Scott; (337) 269-1755.

# DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

**Hf cockatiels,** \$35/1-up; breeding age, \$35/1-up; parakeets, \$8/1. Margie Kibodeaux, Crowley; (337) 788-3818.

Rare Leadbeater male cockatoo, 3 yrs., gorgeous, hf, \$2800; rose-breasted cockatoo hen, 3 yrs., super tame, very sweet, \$1200. Leanna Meaux, Slidell; (985) 847-2853 or (504) 329-7728.

**Canaries, females,** \$35/1; males, \$45/1-up; blk. breasted finches, \$8/1. Carlos Ambrogio, Houma; (985) 868-3648.

Beautiful normal cockatiels,

\$20/1. Robert Legendre, Gonzales; (225) 644-5923.

**Indian ringneck** parakeets, '04 & '05 hatch, blues, turquoise, green/blue, violet-green/blue, white-heads, violets, also breeder prs., \$50/1-\$2000/pr. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

**Doves, wh.,** \$7/1; tangerine, \$6/1; ivory, \$6/1; ringneck & pied, \$5/1. Jim Bearb, Carencro; (337) 896-3475.

**Baby green**-cheek conures, hf, \$150/1. Karen Gros, Greenwell Springs; (225) 936-0954.

**Lovebirds, all** colors, \$25/1-up; Indian ringneck, 2 yrs., \$150. Debra Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6089.

**Red Lory,** proven pr., \$600; male Goffin cockatoo breeder, \$400. Mike Yglesias, Zachary; (225) 262-0954 or (225) 268-7506.

**Parakeets, several** colors to choose from, \$10/1. Julie Chapman, Ville Platte; (337) 831-5834 or (337) 831-6384.

**DNA sexed** pr. of Quakers, \$250/pr; DNA sexed female Quakers, \$125/1; wh.-faced cockatiels, \$50/1; button quail, \$3/1. Aaron Fuselier, Mamou; (337) 457-5667.

Indian ringneck parakeet breeder female, yellow headed, dark factor, lacewing, split to blue, \$2000. A. Hudson, Abbeville; (337) 892-9819.

**Orange-face** love birds, lutinos, olive, cinnamon normals split to lutino, \$20-\$40/1; other fancy color love birds, \$100/4, quantity discount. Dale Landry, Paincourtville; (985) 369-6952.

Male dusky conure, \$200; Jenday hen, \$200; eclectus hen, \$700; (2) male Solomon Island ecletus, 7 mos., \$700/1, will trade (1) for your hen or will buy outright. Charles Legaux, Edgard; (985) 497-3264.

**Red-sided** eclectus female, \$700. C. Legaux, Edgard; (985) 497-3264.

**Lovebirds, all** colors, \$25/1-up. Charles Rachal, Moreauville; (318) 985-2391.

**Wanted:** breeder age sun conures, red rump parakeet male. Don Leche, Metairie; (504) 889-1784.

# POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

**Jumbo Pharaoh** quail, day old chicks, \$40/100; wk. old chicks, \$75/100; live, \$22/doz.; dressed, \$25/doz.; hatching eggs, \$20/100; pickling eggs, \$10/100. Danny Comeaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-4194 or (337) 658-9744.

**Old English** game bantams, (1) blue trio, \$45; BB red, Wheaton & crele cockerels, \$25/1; modern game bantams, (1) pr. Brichen, \$40. Hugh Junca, Franklin; (337) 923-7223.

**Pharaoh quails,** day-old chicks, \$35/100; wk.-old chicks, \$60/100; hatching eggs, \$15/100; breeder stock, \$25/doz. Dennis Bergeron, Youngsville; (337) 303-3838.

**Pheasants,** '05, (1) pr., Amherst, \$60; yellow-golden, \$50/trio; peacock breeders, trio., blk.-shouldered, \$300; trio blines, \$250, '05 pied male, \$60; blk.-shouldered hen, \$75. Doyle Davis, Norwood; (225) 629-5546.

**Mallard ducks**, eggs, babies & mature flyers, 50¢-\$10/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-0039 or (225) 445-5012.

**Baby chicks,** Rhode Island red, buff Orpington & game chicks, \$1-\$1.5/1. Casey Fontenot, Washington; (337) 826-7066.

**GQF** incubator, excel. cond., auto turner, hatching tray, (3) egg shelves, (2) doors, (1) solid, (1) clear, 5-gal. water bucket, extra trays, different sizes, like brand new, used twice, \$450. Ben Mayhan, Covington; (985) 893-3372.

**Wh. Japanese** bantams, champ bloodline, \$8 & \$10/1. Charles Rachal, Moreauville; (318) 985-2391.

Mandarins, \$50/pr.; wood ducks, \$35/pr.; ring teal, \$50/pr.; silver Bahama pin tails, \$100/pr., single birds avail. Mike Yglesias, Zachary; (225) 262-0954.

**Hatch-Tech** incubator & hatcher, excel. cond., auto turner, holds 1400+ quail eggs, excel. cond., plus extras, \$350/1 G. R. Chauvin, Schriever; (985) 448-3360.

**Malaysian Seramas,** beautiful rooster to choose, \$50/pr. & up. Patrick Thibodeaux, Church Point; (337) 684-2013.

Wh. Muscovy ducks, \$4-\$6/1; 4 yr. blue male peacock, \$100; '05 blue peacock pr., \$100; '05 blue peacock male, \$50, all are tame. B. Soileau, Mamou; (337) 468-5622.

**English caller** ducks, small, short billed, Minnesota stock, \$20/pr. Dean Gunter, Lecompte; (318) 776-9235.

Laying hens, game hens, bantam chickens & mixed breed chickens, \$3-\$8/1. C. Fontenot, Washington; (337) 826-7066.

**Jumbo Pharaoh** quail, day old chicks, \$40/100; wk. old chicks, \$75/100; live, \$22/doz.; dressed, \$25/doz.; hatching eggs, \$20/100; pickling eggs, \$10/100. Danny Comeaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-4194 or (337) 658-9744.

**Pharaoh quails,** golden Manchurian & wh., newly hatched to grown, eggs, 15¢/1; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$28/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

**Flying mallards,** \$8/1; guineas, \$8/1; Muscovy ducks, \$8/1. Nell Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

**Guineas,** \$7/1-up; Indian blue peacocks, born 8/19/05, \$25/1. Todd Lafleur, Zachary; (225) 261-0847.

**Jumbo Pharaoh** quail, live, \$2/1; dressed, \$30/doz.; pickled eggs, \$6/pt.; eggs, \$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

**Silkies, several** colors, \$2/1-up; Phoenix, \$10/pr.; buff cochin rooster, \$3/1; call ducks, several colors, \$8/1. Maggie Alvear, Franklinton; (985) 839-3982 or (985) 839-2826.

**Red golden** pheasants, '05 hatched, \$45/pr.; pied peacock paired w/blk. shoulder hen, both 4

yrs., \$150/pr. Darrell Arabie, Duson; (337) 849-3718.

**Wanted:** giant Dewlap Toulouse geese, females, reasonably priced or will trade for Sebastopol geese. Maggie Alvear, Franklinton; (985) 839-3982 or (985) 839-2826.

**Wanted:** (1) pb pr. of adult Pilgrim geese. Kenneth Fontenot, Roanoke; (337) 247-2240.

**Wanted:** Aracauna, Welsummer or Marans. Joe Pool, DeRidder; jdpool1944@yahoo.com or (337) 375-2674.

**Wanted:** chickens, pullets, ducks, guinea, geese, turkeys, common bantams, half grown or full grown, within 50 miles of Rayne. W. Leger, Rayne; (337) 334-4949.

Wanted: (75) 8 mo. pullets, barred rock, buff Orpingtons, blk. Australorps, Araucana/Americana, Rhode Island reds, (11) male, (11) female, 1 yr. broad-breasted turkey, (10) male, (20) female mallards ducks, (12) male, (12) female African geese 1 yr., (100) male, (100) female, 1 yr. purple pearl guineas, (6) male, (6) female, 1 yr. blue pearl peacocks, will trade rd. bales of hay. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

#### **PIGEONS**

**Racing homers,** excel. birds, \$5/1 & \$10/prs.; rollers, good performers & colorful, \$5/1 & \$10/pr.; pheasant pigeons, \$6/1 & \$12/prs. D. Johnson, Baton Rouge; (225) 356-6517.

**Birmingham rollers,** (2) kits of 20 birds per kit, \$100/kit; (10) prs. breeders, \$150/10 pr.; breeding loft, w/2 kit boxes, \$150. Michael Dubreuil, Denham Springs; (225) 664-6442.

# RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

**Standard rex** rabbits, w/pedigree, \$15/1. Karen Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

# DEER & EXOTICS

(3) **doe fawns,** \$250/1 or \$650/all. Lee Cook, Amite; (985) 748-5997.

# AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

(155) Pillow crawfish cages, \$1.5/1; diesel pump, \$100. Ray Couvillion, Abbeville; (337) 893-1996 or (337) 523-3228.

**Blk. bass**, 60¢/1; bluegill, 25¢/1; red ear, 25¢/1; blk. crappie, 30¢/1; grass carp, \$10/1; minnows, \$8/1; channel catfish, 26¢/1. Frank Book, Shreveport; (318) 929-

### FARM SERVICES

**Dog training,** obedience, gun dog & hunt tests. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

**Land clearing,** dirt work, ponds, house pads, forestry construction. Jeff Nelson, Ashland; (318) 544-9090.

**Dozer work,** land clearing & raking. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

**Will graze** stocker heifers on ryegrass & clover pastures, call for details. Harvey Gonsoulin, New Iberia; (337) 229-9058.

# RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

**126 acres**, 86 acres improved pasture, 40 acres timberland, fenced, pond, hard-surface road, all utilities, great hunting, beautiful house, ½ minerals, \$252,000. Odell Cobb, Robeline; (318) 472-8256

23 ½ acres, Acadian style home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fenced & cross fenced pastures, round pen, barn, shed, workshop, pipe fencing, \$349,500 obo. Michelle Perrin, Ponchatoula; (985) 845-2402 or (985) 969-0518.

**60 acres,** 16'x18' mobile home, 30'x40' metal building, 40'x80' hay shed, 30'x40' shop, 50'x40 barn, fish pond, 25 pecan trees, carport, camper shed, \$340,000 firm. Floyd Savoy, Opelousas; (337) 594-9233.

## **BEES/HONEY**

**Honey, produced** in Allen parish, 3 lb. jar, \$5/1; 12 lb. jar, \$15/1. Edric Turner, Pitkin; (318) 634-5595.

## SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

**Border grass,** liriope, green, giant, silver & monkey, \$2/1. Sharkey Chaney, Gonzales; (225) 673-3884.

Candlestick, bush cherry, multicolor, birdseye & aconcagua pepper, lemon/lime, sweet lemon, pink coral vine, pink trumpet, bi-color Confederate rose, \$1.5/pkt., w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lakes Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

**Purple bush** Vitex, \$8/1; crape myrtle, \$8/1; red spider lilies, \$20/50; wh. spider lilie, \$12/6; yellow native daffodils, \$10/25; Lily of the Nile, \$8/1. M. Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lakes Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

**Blackberries,** Brison & Roseborough, large, sweet, 2-gal., at place, \$6/1. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

# TREES & FRUITING VINES

**Fig trees,** 2 yrs., 2-gal., \$9.50/1, 20 varieties, SASE for list, will ship in La,. 2nd day delivery. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

**Elliott pecan,** 5', 6-gal., grafted, \$25/1 at place. James Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

**Fig cuttings,** 20 varieties, 1-10 cuttings, \$3/1; 10+ cuttings, \$2/1, same variety or mix, SASE for list. J. Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

All kinds of tress, bushes, roses, lilies, flowering plants, all are in pots, \$1-\$20/1, hundreds to choose from. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

**Louisiana live** oaks, good stock, 1-gal., 2'-3', \$3/1; 4-gal., 5'-6', \$10/1. A. M. Gray, III, Patterson; (985) 395-5193 or (985) 518-4711.

**Mayhaw trees,** large fruited varieties, also sago palms, jelly palms, Mexican plum, native magnolia, burr oak, \$10-\$35/1. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248

**Red bush** cherry, \$6/1, bundle of 12, \$12; fig trees, \$5/1-up; wh. & yellow peach, \$5/1-up; purple pomegranate, \$10/1; Confederate rose, \$8/1; Mamou plant, \$8/1; candlestick tree, \$5-\$10/1; loquat, \$5/1-up. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

### HAY & GRAIN

**Rice straw,** 5x5, \$12/1; crab grass, \$22; Bahia, \$25. Craig Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 831-1366.

**2005 fert.** Jiggs Bermuda sq. bales, in barn, \$3.95/1; behind baler, \$3.45. Keith Cahanin, Rayne; (337) 257-2469 or (337) 873-6607.

**2005 Bahia** hay, 5x5 bales, in shed, on pallets, \$30/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

**Alicia Bermuda,** excel. quality, sq. bales, you load sq. bales, \$3.75-\$4/1; Bahia, \$3.25-\$3/1; 5x5 rd. bales, we load, Alicia, \$38-\$40/1; Bahia, \$23-\$30. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

**4x5 bales rice** straw, \$18/1. Harold Marceaux, Kaplan; (337) 652-8305.

**Oct. hay,** rd. bales, located in Kentwood, minimum purchase required, \$20/1. Kerry Broussard, Prairieville; (225) 673-5700 or (225) 235-1805.

**High quality** Bermuda racehorse hay, sq. bales, \$3-\$4/1; rd. bales, \$20-\$45/1; cow hay, \$20-\$40/1, Milton area. Joe Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 856-4266 or (337) 230-7273.

**Sq. bales,** to pickup behind baler, Carencro area, \$2/1. Tony Carrere, Schriever; (985) 448-3150.

**2005 Bahia** rd. bales, 5x6, fert., cured w/o rain, \$30/1-\$35/1, top price is covered hay. James Casanova, Amite; (985) 517-0334 or (985) 748-7363.

**Bahia sq.** bales, fert. & stored in barn, \$3/1 or \$140/50 bales. Ronald Cole, Jr., Basile; (337) 457-0665 or (337) 580-1685.

**5x4 rd. bales,** fert. & sprayed, \$15/1; sq. bales, in barn, \$2.75. Gary Guy, Zachary; (225) 654-6491.

Well fert., large rd. bales of Bahia hay, \$25/1. Gerald or Brent McBride, Evans; (337) 286-5329 or (337) 286-5927.

**Bahia mixed** grass, '05 cutting, 4x4 rd. bales, in barn, \$12/1. Verdun Richard, Maurepas; (225) 695-3129.

Alicia/Bahia/Coastal/Tifton-44/Johnsongrass, all mixed hay, 4x5 rd. bales, \$32/1. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

# TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

Ford 8N trac., good cond., everything works well, used no oil, \$2500. Curtis McDaniel, Oakdale; (318) 335-006.

**6' wide disks,** (20) discs, (4) axle, 3 pt. hitch, heavy-duty angle iron, fair shape, \$275. Thomas Landry, Jamestown; (318) 894-2050.

JD 4620 trac., 2-post canopy, duals, quick hitch, Syncro-Range trans., good trac., \$8500; IH 480 disc, 21' manual fold, \$1800. David Charrier, Monterey; (318) 386-7238 or (318) 452-3343.

**Lely hay** cutter, 9'10", used 4 yrs., bought new for \$6900, sell for \$3600. Craig Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 831-1366.

**JD 375 rd.** baler, makes 4x5 bales, pull w/50 hp trac. kept in shed, excel. cond., Durabilt big wheel rake, caddy-type, hyd. fold, 3 yrs., used very little, \$9000/both or will separate. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

Antique mule-drawn hay rakes, \$250/1; hand pumped gasoline service station pump, circa 1905, \$500, other antique equip. E. C. Roge, Sr., Natchez; (318) 352-7001

Case stationary engine, 50 hp, LPG, 540 PTO, \$1500. John Boudreaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-6743.

1993 Bobcat-X231, 8000 lb.

track hoe, enclosed cab, (2) good buckets, lights, 90% undercarriage, excel. cond., \$12,500. James Sharp, Springfield; (225) 695-3341.

**2610 Ford trac.,** '82 model, 4-post canopy, new front tires, 34 hp. \$6000. Gary Williams, Franklinton; (985) 750-2531 or (985) 570-3254.

Class cutter disc, 260C-2000, going out of hay business, new, \$10,000, selling for \$5000. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

JD 7100 8-row planter, \$500; (2) IH 480 discs., \$500/1; KBH 6500-gal. upright fert. tank, \$1250; 500-bushel JD grain cart, \$1000; 32' Melrose field cult., \$500; old-style Amco hipper, 8-row, \$400. Wendell Wiley, Vick; (318) 253-6380.

**2000 555E** Ford extend-a-hoe backhoe, excel. cond., 1978 hrs., \$29,500; '99 555E Ford regular backhoe, w/2300 hrs., excel. cond., \$26,000. Dennis Byrnes, Dubach; (318) 777-3011.

**Fordson Dexta** diesel trac., \$3000. Ed Jameson, Folsom; (985) 796-0860.

**16' Chandler chicken** litter spreader, PTO driven, used once, just like new, warranty still avail., \$8300. Ron Pope, Franklinton; (985) 839-5271 or (985) 515-3996.

**2 cyl., 20 hp** Yanmar trac., \$1800. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

(2) 29x12.00-15 on universal rims for front, \$200. Alice Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.

**New Jima** 28 hp, 4x4, w/new front-end loader, w/top, \$9,000. Dustin Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.

**1066 Int.,** canopy, duals, original, 2 PTOs, PTO needs repair, \$5750. T. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 452-7688.

New 110 & 200 cc 4 wheelers & dirt bikes from China, 4 stroke engine, \$700; for dirt bikes, \$800/1-up on 4 wheelers. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

**855 NH baler**, shedded since new, from my shed to your field, early inspected & maintained by NH, cosmetics excel., mechanically very good, spare protective parts, manuals, original, \$4000. Wayne Patterson, Ruston; (318) 768-2649 or (318) 372-7313.

**Set of single**-row rowing discs & toolbar, heavy-duty, excel. cond., \$500. Kenneth Poche, Gonzales; (225) 644-5644.

JD 4840 c/h/a, duals, quick hitch, chemical tanks & racks, good shape, ready to work, owned by little old lady, worth \$15,000, will take \$13,500; w/21' bush hog disc, \$15,000. Judy Green, Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

1996 Ford trac., model 3415, 45 hp, low hrs., barn kept, in excel. cond., includes 5' bush hog, \$9500. Wayne Cooper, Folsom; (985) 796-0186 or (504) 468-3700.

JD 9910 cotton picker, green top, new head overhaul, not used

in a few years, don't need, \$1200; 6-row rolling cult., good shape, \$500 will trade any or all. Percell Green, Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

**Ford 6610,** w/canopy, 3 new tires, \$8000. Daniel Jones, Florien; (318) 586-9975.

**Yellow & wh.** Cub w/plow tools or belly mower, \$1800; 4' bush hog, \$250, extra cub parts & plow tools avail. J. Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

**Yellow & wh.** Cub, \$2100; choice belly mower or plow tools, red Cub w/pan plow, \$800. Skeet Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

**Rebuilt 4-71** GM engine, complete w/Sentinel shut-down system, tack meter & gauges, 12 volt starter & skid mounted, \$5400. Glenn Gotreaux, Iowa; (337) 582-7363 or (337) 526-3712.

**Kubota L4310,** 2x4, 4 cyl. diesel, like new, 370 hrs., implements avail. also, \$10,000. Raymond Hughes, Tickfaw; (985) 340-0058.

**Rebuilt 855** Cummins small cam, complete w/safety kill switches, starter, gauges, skid mount & 14" twin disc PTO, \$6500. G. Gotreaux, Iowa; (337) 582-7363 or (337) 526-3712.

Allis Chalmers 200s, '75 & '72 models, 100 hp tracs., both need work, \$1500/both. C. Bonin, St. Martinville; (337) 241-4636.

**Woods 6' grooming** mower, rear discharge, 3 yrs., \$1000; 6' Land Pride disc, 3 yrs., both in great shape, \$600. Raymond Hughes, Tickfaw; (985) 340-0058.

**JD 4630 trac.,** 15 hp, '77 model, 20.8x38 dual wheels, quad range, w/cab & front weights, good cond., \$10,000. Al Cormier, Ragley; (337) 725-6104.

**6-row lay-by** chemical rig, \$300; 6-row Glenco cult., \$300; 12-row hydraulic row markers, \$300; IH 500 disc, 4-row, \$300. J. M. Blaney, Jr., Harrisonburg; (318) 744-5705.

1998 JD 690 excavator, 5000 hrs., 42K lbs., \$67,500; 1991 PC75UU Komatsu trackhoe, 1800 lbs., 3500 hrs., rubber track, air, excel. cond., \$24,500; D31P Komatsu dozer, \$19,500; 690 JD trackhoe, \$18,500; TD 7 Int. dozer, \$12,500; Ford 60 hp, cab/air, nice, Case 80 hp, cab/air loader, \$11,500/1; 4 wd loader, 2 yard bucket, small track loader, \$9500/1. W. A. Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271.

Ford backhoe, runs well, ready to work, \$7950; Terex loader, 4x4, 2 yd. bucket, needs brakes, \$9000; small Komatsu track loader, \$12,500; Ford 30 hp, 4x4 loader, \$8750; Cub Cadet, like new, cost \$2900, sacrifice for \$1650; JD 20 hp, \$1250. T. Warner, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

Vermeer 5400 Rebel rd. baler, baled about 1000 bales, excel. shape, \$9000; Kuhn GMD II 600 7'10" cutting width, less than 40 acres, \$6000. Chad Lasseigne, Port Allen; (225) 413-9138.

**8-row fold** tongue pull-bed leveler, needs work, \$550; JD 220 tanks, racks, w/hyd. pump, \$300; (2) JD quick hitches, \$150/1. J. Byone, Cloutierville; (318) 379-

**4020 JD 91 hp,** w/8' dozer blade, dual remotes, a real work horse, \$8800; yellow & wh. Farmall Cub w/tools & belly mower, looks like new, \$2150. Harry Miller, Glenmora; (318) 748-4569 or (318) 623-4558.

**678 NH baler,** 5x5, like new, hardly used, less than 1000 bales. L. Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758

617 NH cutter, 2 yrs., like new, \$4300; M8200 Kubota trac., w/front-end loader, 4 wd, 2 yrs., 500 hrs., excel. cond., \$26,000. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Pasture dream planter, \$3500; mold poison killer, \$200; Bermuda King sprig harvester, \$6800; Stephens air compressor watermelon planter, \$4850; 6-row cult., \$250; Ford 5000, \$74,774; 1210 David Brown, \$74,774; 5610S NH, \$74,774; Ford 4000, \$74,774; 441 Log Hog, \$74,774; Ford TW-10, \$90,470. L. M. Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

Cadet & Lowes riding mower & special tiller, \$6536/all; Vermeer 554XL baler, \$41,202; 8-wheel Sitrex hay rake, \$5657; 7'2" Marangon MD 245 hay mower, \$15,903; Ford 241, 24' disc, \$54,282; 18' Bush Hog disc w/drag, \$49,922; 16' bush hog, \$20,263; 6' bush hog, \$2823; 5' disc, \$1515; 6' grading blade, \$7183. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

IH 5488, w/spray tanks, good cond., cab air blows cold, Balzer fert. injector, 4200-gal. tank, high flotation tires, great cond., 21' Bush Hog disc, hyd. wings, 300-gal. spray rig, 20' boom, contract avail., \$46,200/all, package sale only. Todd, Slaughter; (225) 505-7290 or (225) 654-4711.

**7' JD bush hog,** beat up but fair cond., \$500. Patrick Richmond, Glenmora; (318) 447-8090.

**Grinder mixer,** good cond., \$1500; corn grinder, mounted on trailer, \$300; 410 JD rd. baler, \$2000. Harry Lafleur, Opelousas; (337) 543-7558.

Ford 60 hp, cab/air, nice, Case 80 hp, cab/air loader, \$11,500/1. W. A. Lucky, III, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271.

Sheet metal, for Ford 5000 trac., left & right hood panels, radiator shell, upper & lower grills, steering wheel, \$300/all. Sal Cali, Hammond; (985) 345-4790.

**JD 1020,** 2-row trac., good cond., \$5000; 5' Land Pride finishing mower, excel. cond., \$700. R. Scallan, Mansura; (318) 964-2188

**NH 638 rd.** baler, excel. cond., shedded, baled less than 900 bales, must sell, \$8800. Mark Vining, Amite; (985) 748-8524 or (985) 748-7648.

**Belarus 250** AS, \$2200; King Cutter, 5 1/2' plow, 16" discs, \$485; lawn aerator for 3 pt., \$150. K. Kleveland, Church Point; (337)

**Amco 8-row** hipper, 7"x7" bar, new blades, \$2000; IH 490 disc, 28', \$1800; IH 1460 combine, w/22 ½' header, \$7000; Orthman 8-row cult., w/busters, \$6500.

Derek Dauzat, Marksville; (318) 253-5386.

**W&A 8-row** hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; Taylorway, 8-row cult., w/fenders, \$1500; Bridger planter 8-row w/row markers, \$1200. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

(2) 600-bushel grain tanks, w/unloading augers, \$1200; ditching machine Ditch Witch, R-40, w/new engine boring unit, drill pipe, augers & trailer, \$14,500; Mayrath PTO driven grain auger, 6"x35", \$1200. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**8'x24' Louviere** cane planter, hyd. discs, grader tires, \$8250; Orthman cane cult., 4-row, off bars, \$5800, both nego. J. K. Bordelon, Moreauville; (318) 359-2222 or (318) 985-2451.

(2) antique project Gibson tracs., \$300. Doyle Davis, Norwood; (225) 629-5546.

**Drott excavator** backhoe, \$6000; (1) set pickup discs, \$250. Rimes LaBorde, Jr., Westwego; (504) 431-8074 or (504) 430-4642.

Case IH 9330 trac., 4x4, 3800 hrs., 50% rubber, 18.4 30 duals, 150 hrs. on new center pins, bearings, bushings & uniball, 3 pt., w/quick hitch, regularly serviced, \$55,000. Mitch Parrott, Mamou; (337) 523-3407 or (337) 363-0321

**1998 CTS II,** 25' header, SS in grain tank, SS around tine separators, new beater, duals, 4x4, excel. shape, 1370 engine hrs., 1160 sep. hrs., \$75,000. M. Parrott, Mamou; (337) 523-3407 or (337) 363-0321

**163 Gig drive,** NH hay fluffer, \$3000; large "V" ditch maker, \$1000; 346 JD sq. hay baler, for parts, \$1000. Glen Leger, Opelousas; (337) 543-4303 or (337) 948-3344.

**48" drag blade**, 3 pt. hookup, \$100; 36" disc, 8"-12" blades, 3 pt. hookup, \$80. Eugene Wing, Sulphur; (337) 528-9393.

Long diesel trac., 38 hp, bush hog & box blade, \$6000; 880 Case track hoe, \$13,500; 6000 lb. Clark fork lift, diesel, \$3200; 7' Side-Winder tire driven pasture clipper pull type, \$1000. Robert Gravois, Thibodaux; (985) 633-9242.

315 L Cat excavator, 3200 hrs., w/thumb & rock bucket, \$69,500; Cat IT28 end loader, 3100 hrs., forks, 2 yard bucket, quick change, a/c cab, \$60,000. Mike Towns, Arcadia; (318) 263-3000.

**1-row riding** digger, excel. cond., \$4000; 2-row potato planter, \$500. Daniel Laborde, Mansura; (318) 964-2902.

MF 124 baler, makes small bales, \$1000; JD 340 baler, \$1500; 135 MF diesel, farm trac., bad rod, \$1500; 200 Lincoln welding machine, w/trailer, \$1400; w/o trailer, \$1000; Clark Forklift, \$4000, w/forks, not running, set 4 yrs., \$900. Daniel Myers, Amite; (985) 748-6773.

**684 Int. trac.,** \$6800; JD 245, w/front-end loader, \$7800. Tony Carrere, Schriever; (985) 448-

Yanmar YM2400, 24 hp trac., great cond., \$2700; Mohawk, 4'

bush hog, \$300. A. Prejean, Arnaudville; prejean@bellsouth.net or (337) 962-0127.

**5' pull-type** Woods mower, like new, needs paint, \$400; 6' hyd. ditch bank mower, all attachments, \$800; 6610 Ford trac., 1500 hrs., w/15' boom & 5' hyd. mower, good cond., no leaks, \$15,000; Cat hyd. winch, for 5/8 log skidder or other equip., \$2000. Mark Ledoux, Livingston; (225) 698-6528

**1991 850-D** Case dozer, less than 2000 hrs. Cummins motor, \$25,000. M. Ledoux, Livingston; (225) 698-6528.

**IH 966 trac.,** new clutch, in very good cond., w/15' batwing shredder, \$10,000; 3 pt. highlift hay fork, \$800. Danny Clark, Cottonport; (318) 876-2980 or (318) 359-2206.

5' disc, 3 pt. hitch, light, modern made, \$300; King Cutter dirt scoop, 3 pt. hitch, \$200. Donald Addison, Independence; (985) 507-1054 or (985) 507-6053.

**Wanted:** Case 450 dozers, any shape, whole or in parts. P. R. Krantz, Krotz Springs; (337) 592-0170.

**Wanted:** spray rig, on wheels, to spray 500-1000 gals. only. Glen Leger, Opelousas; (337) 543-4303 or (337) 948-3344.

**Wanted:** 15'-25' harrow, pull-type, or chisel plow, pull type. Floyd Prescott, Opelousas; (337) 948-2590 or (337) 942-7621.

Wanted: 6610 TN, good cond. Hubert Tolman, Dubach; (318) 255-6275.

**Wanted:** 1-row Pixall Bean Picker, E. Lytle, DeRidder; (337) 463-9350.

**Wanted:** 460 or 560 Farmall gas trac. w/wide front-end, running or for parts. G. Dupree, Natchitoches; (318) 379-2412.

**Wanted:** JD 3010 for parts, diesel engine. T. J. Leger, Palmetto; (337) 623-5508.

**Wanted:** JD baler that makes small sq. bales, must be in excel. cond., also small bale hay stacking equip. E. C. Roge, Sr., Natchez; (318) 352-7001.

# FARM TRUCKS & RELATED PARTS

**Ford chicken** litter truck, 18' bed, just rebuilt, \$9500; '95 F-350 crew cab, diesel, \$7850; '99 tandem dual, 32', \$5900. W. A. Lucky, III, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271.

**1976 Chevrolet** truck, w/18'x8'x4' gooseneck hydraulic dump grain trailer, \$9000; (2) 600-bushel grain tanks, w/unloading augers, \$1200. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**1985 Ford F-350** 1-ton truck, steel flatbed, good body, standard trans., needs motor, \$500. Raymond Burleigh, Opelousas; (337) 942-7005.

(2) buggies, 4 axles, 20" wheels, \$800, if all taken. Emmet Rogers, Carencro; (337) 896-4083.

**1997 Ford** 1-ton dually, flatbed, 4x4, diesel, new auto trans., new tires, new batteries, good truck, \$10,000. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.

(2) 10x22 radials, \$35/1; (2) mounted 1-ton wheels, Ford & Chevy, \$35/1. J. Byone, Cloutierville; (318) 379-0005.

**1985 Peter-Bilt** tandem dump trailer, \$17,500. Robert Gravois, Thibodaux; (985) 633-9242.

**1994 white** Ford Explorer, 4wd, 4 door, w/toolbar, on front, good cond., \$2300. Karen Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

**1996 F-350** crew cab, single rear wheel, 7.3 liter powerstroke diesel, none better at this age & price, \$5500 or possibly trade for small truck of equal value. Ashley McWiggins, Pioneer; (318) 282-2747.

**2001 GMC** 2500 heavy-duty, ready to haul, runs & pulls good, \$65,000. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

**Great farm** trucks, will sell any 2, '94 F-250, 110,000 miles, \$2500; '91 F-350, 110,000 miles, diesel, \$5500; '89 F-250, 151,000 miles, new trans, \$3000. Skip Russell, Ruston; (318) 548-5050.

**1980 C-70** Chevy truck, w/altex hyd. boom, 20', w/18" auger attachments, diesel motor, \$1000; '88 F-250 Ford trucks, for parts, \$1000. Mark Ledoux, Livingston; (225) 698-6528.

**Dodge Ram** van 1500, V6, power brakes, power steering, a/c, am/fm, new paint, new tires, handicapped access, \$20,000. Larry Common, Gretna; (504) 366-7951 or (504) 427-4256.

# TRAILERS, WAGONS & EQUIPMENT

**2002 model,** 28' Delta horse trailer, gooseneck, 3-horse slant, queen size bed, shower, roof, air, cabinets, sink, stove, Porta-Potti, 20' canopy, used 8 times, like new, \$15,000. Paul Miller, Denham Springs; (225) 664-3777.

**Sheep trailer,** large enough for goats, miniature or miniature horses, \$3500 nego. Lee LeMaire, New Iberia; (337) 365-1448.

**2001** WW 5'x14' combination horse/stock trailer, in excel. cond., \$2000. Sid Moreland, Minden; (318) 371-0747.

**1997 Sundowner** 3-horse trailer, slant load, bumper pull, dressing room & back tack, \$9000. M. Polman, Amite; (985) 969-2575.

(8) 10'x12' pasture gates, \$100/1; mini rd. baler, \$3500. John Suire, Braithwaite; (504) 682-3875 or (504) 481-5729.

**16' utility trailer,** dbl. axle, w/slide in cattle cage, \$600, will sell separately, needs new tires. Roy Riddle, Baker; (225) 775-1146.

**20' bumper-pull,** low boy, 6'10" wide, 6000 lb. axles, elec. brakes, loading ramps, like new, \$2800. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758

**16' bumper trailer,** heavy-duty, \$800; 20' gooseneck trailer, heavy-duty, \$1500. Paul Comeaux,

Church Point; (337) 684-7500.

**16' gooseneck** cattle trailer, \$1600. B. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

(3) trailer house axles, complete w/springs & tires, \$295. Sidney Venable, Church Point; (337) 684-2544.

1993 WW horse & cattle trailer, great cond., w/walk-in tack room, blue in color, new tires, 4 brakes & rubber floor, \$2500. Charles Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

**35' Sundowner** 3-horse slant, 12' short wall, living quarters, 3' mid tack, mangers & hay rack, w/rear tack, \$35,000. Sarah Meche, Church Point; (337) 873-4041 or (337) 288-1859.

**2003 white** skin, alum. 3-horse slant-load, many extras, like new cond., kept in barn, \$15,900. Sandy Lantrip, Ethel; (225) 683-1002.

2000 Monterrey Lite, 3-horse slant, alum., gooseneck, w/5' short wall, weekender package in LQ port, cowboy shower, sat. TW & VCR, refrigerator, micro, oven, ac/heat, deluxe interior, excel. cond., new 16' tires w/spare, \$22,000. C. Turin, Baton Rouge; cmt1121@cox.net or (225) 343-0694.

**2001 CM 4-horse** gooseneck trailer, 20' box, w/finished living quarters, insulated w/ac, microwave & refrigerator, can email pics, \$4500. Carl Reed, Keithville; setfreela@aol.com or (318) 925-9938.

**24,000 lb tilt** type, dual tandem gooseneck trailer, (8) new tires, new paint job, new deck, top shape, \$4500. Mike Allemand, Ponchatoula; (985) 370-7788.

**Wanted:** small covered wagon, 2-horse pulled, 600 lb. horse harness, will repair wagon if need to. Casey Fontenot, Washington; (337) 826-7066.

# FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

**6x4 Pug,** 300 hrs., best hunting machine made, \$5800. W. A. Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271.

Oat crimper, by H. C. Davis & Co., 10"x10" diameter rollers, 3 hp, 220 volt, very nice, on stand w/casters, \$1850; (9) 16' fluorescent lights, w/alum. housings, (6) 8' bulbs per lights, 220 volt, single phase, \$50/1 or \$400/all; hammer mill, PTO driven, on trailer, works, \$500 obo; Aermotor windmill, 10' diameter blade, needs work, \$3000. Patrick Richmond, Glenmora; (318) 447-8090.

**24 KW generator,** never used, \$6980. W. A. Lucky, III, Bossier City; (318) 549-0271.

**Maytag washing** machine engines, \$50-\$200/1. Doyle Davis, Norwood; (225) 629-5546.

**16" Simco brand** Western saddle, large stirrups, excel. shape, tack included, \$350; 20" Westerm saddle, new, used 3 times, tack included, \$350. La Juan Johnson, Marksville; (318) 253-8981.

**250-gal. diesel** skid tank, w/hand

pump, \$100; 150-gal. Rubbermaid water trough, w/float, \$90. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

**Greenhouse,** 18'x96' frame, fitted 68% shade cloth, ground cloth fair, you dismantle, \$1200. Betty Robin, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

**Okra cutters,** hand operated, \$130/1; larger model, \$160/1. Franklin Courvelle, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

**2 7/8" drill pipe**, 90¢/ft. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

**Troy Bilt,** 8 hp, rear tine tiller, like new cond., \$900 cash. James Burleigh, Opelousas; (337) 942-9343.

**4" heavy wall** pipe, 10'-12' long, \$1.5/ft.; 110 volt shallow-well water pump, motor & tank for WW Grainger, never used, \$200. Keith Matte, Branch; (337) 296-6798.

**6" water pump,** PTO driven, \$1500. Glen Leger, Opelousas; (337) 543-4303 or (337) 945-5158.

(4) **6000-gal.** fuel tanks, in good cond., \$1500/1. George Guillory, Crowley; (337) 783-1467 or (337) 581-5123.

**Used nipple** waterers, \$2/1; 1000-bushel hopper bottom grain tank, \$500/1; insulated alum. panels for coolers & freezers, \$25/1-up. Quention McConnell, St. Joseph; (318) 766-4534.

**JD 6x4 gator,** great cond., \$4000. Andre Prejean, Arnaudville; prejean@bellsouth.net or (337) 962-0127.

**14" Classic Congress** show saddle, by Billie Royal, 2 yrs., excel. cond., \$1300. Jody Hornsby, Crowley; (337) 344-1565.

**18" Ortina forward** seat, English saddle, stirrups & leathers included, \$80. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

**40** kw generator, w/JD engine, single phase, 1800 hrs., on trailer, w/150-gal. diesel tank, \$13,000; portable steam cleaner, w/300-gal. tank, \$3000; office trailer, 10'x36', 2 offices, kitchen, restroom, a/c & heat, \$10,000. Mike Towns, Arcadia; (318) 263-3000.

**Brand new** Double J Trophy saddle, 14" seat, Charmayne James tree, alum. stirrups, never used, \$850. Sara Arcineaux, Carencro; (337) 896-6152.

**10-ton feed** bin, w/elec. auger, \$650; hay spear, 3 prongs, for front-end loader, \$275; cotton trailer, \$275. Calvin Johnson, Hineston; (318) 793-5239 or (318) 481-7530.

**Used, heavy**-duty, wh. vinyl tarps, UV protected, 14'x48', 65#, for equip., hay, roofs \$50/1. Randy Goodman, Springfield; (225) 294-8998.

Sullivan's Air Express III, blow dryer used 1 ½ yrs., excel. cond., \$275; Sullivan's steel cattle grooming chute, w/wheels & head tie, used 1 ½ yrs., excel. cond., \$375; Sullivan's 4' galv. show box, on dolly, used 1 ½ yrs., in excel. cond., \$400; Lister Stablemate clippers, w/case, used 1 ½ yrs., excel., \$250. Karen Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

**Priefert cattle** headgate, good cond., \$400. B. Harris, Baton Rouge; (225) 769-2978.

(2) cow show halters, (1) blk. rolled leather, (1) brown flat

leather, used twice, \$25/1. K. Moses, Deville; (318) 466-5680.

175 Sullair air compressor, w/3 cyl. diesel JD motor, \$2300; '91 850-D Case dozer, less than 2000 hrs. Cummins motor, \$25,000; 8'x40' metal cargo container, good cond., \$2500/1. Mark Ledoux, Livingston; (225) 698-6528.

Onan 5 KW generator, good engine, bad crank, engine model is CCK, 2 cyl., \$100 obo. L. J. St. Germain, Montz; (504) 494-0405.

Generator, 30,000 watt, 30 kw, commercial duty, will run whole house, PTO drive, 3 pt. hookup for trac., never used, new in crate, w/PTO shaft, \$3600. Dean Gunter, Lecompte; (318) 776-9235.

**18" swing,** 6' bed, American iron metal lathe, \$2000. Kent Brown, Jennings; (337) 584-2117.

**2 3/8" tubing,** 85¢/ft.; 2 7/8", 95¢/ft. Gene Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**Small powder** driven sugar mill, \$1000. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

(4) 25x10.00, 12 NHs tires, 6-ply rt. 350 mag. off road, new, \$200 obo; ladder rack, for 8' bed pickup, \$100; boom pole for trac., 3 hp, new, \$150. Ellis, Springfield; (225) 695-6203.

**Green house** frame, 48'x96' long, \$1000. Anna Hudson, Abbeville; (337) 892-9819.

Flex auger, \$1/ft.; used wire grating, 5'x8', \$50/1; fans, \$30/1-up; dbl. heating pads, \$40/1; Ruthberry pump, \$100; flush tanks, \$100/1. Q. McConnell, St. Joseph; (318) 766-4534.

**Portable welder,** on trailer, Miller welder, w/elec. start, Kohler gas motor, 110 outlet, can be used as generator, runs well, \$800. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

**New saddles** & tack, saddles up to 22", roping saddles, \$400/1; Western, English & Australian saddles, \$200/1-up. Patrick Romar, Opelousas; (337) 942-7286.

(2) 25 kw generic generators, dealer refurbished, less than 400 hrs., LPG or natural gas, 90 day warranty, installation avail. Michael Hebert, Covington; (985) 893-7907

(42) 6'x8' gothic privacy fencing, new from Home Depot, unused, \$22.5/1, must purchase all. Rusty Anderson, Shreveport; (318) 741-7430 ext. 1210.

**Cypress lumber,** 1"x8", 90¢/board ft.; 1"x10" & 1"x12", \$1/board foot, various lengths. Ricky Vines, Winnfield; (318) 827-9615.

**Galv. corral** panels, del. avail., 5'x10', \$45/1 or \$1050/25; 5'x12' heavy-duty, \$65/1 or \$1550/25; 6'x12' extra heavy-duty, \$75/1 or \$1800/25; 100'x200' arena, w/10' gate, \$2650. Billy Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

**Galv. rd. pens,** 5' tall, all include 4' bow gate, del. avail, 50', \$750; 60', \$850; 6' tall, w/6' gate, \$1080. Carl Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610

**Heavy-duty** squeeze chute, brand new, never used, has adjustable sides, drop gate in back, bottom panels & side bars drop & side gate opens, \$1700. Philip

Watts, Livingston; (225) 686-1306 or (225) 445-3298.

Whitman cut back saddle, for TW breed back, \$300. Leanna Meaux, Slidell; (985) 847-2853 or (504) 329-7728.

**600 acres,** timber, pulpwood pine & hardwood. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 441-9273.

**Wanted:** grinder/mixer, late model, in good cond. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**Wanted:** old gristmill or old millstones, any size. Richard Eaves, Demopolis, AL; raleaves@email.com or (334) 289-8906.

**Wanted:** sewing machine to sew leather for saddles, manual or electric. Charles Casanova, Holden; (225) 294-2585.

Wanted: old Coca Cola, Dr. Pepper, 7up, RC cola & other cold drink metal & neon signs. Bob Moore, Greenwell Springs; (225) 261-8962.

**Wanted:** heavy-duty cattle pen gates or panels, also pasture gates. F. Prescott, Opelousas; (337) 942-7621 or (337) 948-2590.

**Wanted:** used metal "T" posts, 6' or 6 1/2'. Joseph Prescott, Opelousas; (337) 948-2590.

**Wanted:** old grinding/sharpening wheel, working cond. or not. Butch Johnson, DeRidder; (337) 462-2079.

**Wanted:** old wooden wagon wheels & old iron implement wheels. C. D. Moore, Greenwell Springs; (225) 261-8962.

# FROM THE FARM

**Handmade quilts,** baby to king, \$40/1-up, king, \$200/1; crocheted afghans, \$60/1; crocheted doilies, \$8/1-up; quilt tops, ready for quilting, \$25/1-up. Mary Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7428.

All natural goat milk soap, very good for your skin, no petroleum or artificial ingredients, various scents, great gifts, \$4/1. M.Blackmer, Lake C h a r l e s ; www.hometown.aol.com/pdavenp913, email pdavenp913@aol.com or (337) 478-2208.

**Wanted:** old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

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### Cheesy Potato Soup

4-6 medium potatoes 1 medium onion, chopped

1 can cream of chicken soup 1 can cream of celery soup

8 oz. Velveeta cheese

½ cup milk

½ cup celery, chopped 1 carrot, chopped (optional)

Cube or chop potatoes and onions.

Cover with water and cook until potatoes are done. Add soups, milk and cheese. Cook until cheese has melted and the soup is very creamy. Stir well to prevent burning. Season to taste.

Submitted by George Shepherd, Office of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences/Monroe, for the 2005 State Fair Cookbook

#### Chili

1 lb. ground beef (med. fat) 1 can diced green chilies 1 whole large onion, chopped 1 (16 oz.) can whole, peeled tomatoes

chili powder

black pepper jalapeno peppers, chopped, to taste (approx. 1 1/2 to 2) 2 tsps. sugar

1 large can kidney beans

Brown beef, drain most of the fat; add onions, green chilies, jalapenos. When onions are cooked, add kidney beans, including juice. Add "squashed" tomatoes. Add pepper, chili powder (2-3 teaspoons), sugar (1 envelope of sugar substitute may be used). Simmer 30 minutes uncovered. Garnish with shredded cheese and raw onions if desired serve with crackers.

## Cream of Crawfish Soup

½ lb. Louisiana crawfish tailmeat 1 tbsp. flour 1 tsp. butter 1 qt. milk ½ cup heavy cream

1 medium onion Salt & pepper to taste 2 tbsps. dry sherry whipped cream for garnish chopped parsley and paprika

In top of double boiler, blend flour and butter until smooth. Gradually add milk and cream. Add whole onion, salt, pepper and crawfish. Cook mixture over hot water for 15-30 minutes. Soup should be the consistency of thin cream. Remove onion before serving. Serve hot with a dollop of whipped cream and a sprinkle of parsley and paprika.

### 4 Bean Soup

1 lb. ground beef 1 can pinto beans 1 can Great Northern beans

1 can navy beans

1 can red kidney beans

1 can Rotel tomatoes 1 bunch green onions 1 bell pepper, chopped salt and pepper

Brown beef, onion and bell pepper in pan large enough to hold rest of ingredients. Add cans of beans and do not drain. Add Rotel tomatoes. Heat and simmer until ready to eat. Serve with hot corn bread.

Submitted by Renee Williamson, Boll Weevil Eradication Program/Oak Grove, for the 2003 State Fair Cookbook

### Corn Chowder

1 lb. bacon

1 lb. finely chopped onions (use food processor)

3-4 lbs. potatoes, peeled & diced

2 quarts corn

2 cans evaporated milk salt and pepper to taste several dashes of hot sauce

Dice bacon and cook until crisp; drain off portion of fat. Add finely chopped onions. Cook until soft, but not browned. Add diced potatoes, cover with hot water and cook until tender. Add corn and salt and pepper to season. Add evaporated milk and heat through. Makes about 2 gallons.

## Easy Minestroni Soup

1 lb. ground beef 1 med. onion, chopped 3 cans Campbell's Minestroni 3 cans water

2 cans ranch style beans 1 can Rotel tomatoes

1 cup bow-tie pasta

Mix all ingredients in a large pot. Bring to a boil, turn heat down and simmer 3 hours. Add a cup of bow tie pasta. Cook until pasta is cooks through.

Submitted by Cathie Bryant, daughter of Ethel Willett, Office of Management and Finance/Monroe, for the 2003 State Fair Cookbook

# **Brunswick Stew**

4 lb. chicken, boiled 1 can white creamstyle corn 1 can tomatoes

1 can sliced mushrooms 6 hard-boiled eggs, chopped 1 stick butter

1 yellow onion, chopped 1 tsp. minced garlic

2 tbsps. flour and oil salt and pepper to taste

Boil chicken and save stock. Take chicken off the bone after hen has cooled. Slowly add flour and oil and make roux over low heat. Add onions, garlic and tomatoes and cook until well done. Add stock from chicken, corn and butter and cook slowly. Add salt and pepper to taste. Add mushrooms and chopped eggs just before serving.

Submitted by Millie Odom, wife of Commissioner Bob Odom, for the 2004 State Fair Cookbook

# Santa in Sulphur, continued from page 2 -

man's belly shook. He popped the clutch so fast that Allan was thrown deep into the plush woolen seat cover.

The sleeper cab curtains opened and the man's wife poked her head out, the gold rims of her glasses twinkling in the glow of the holiday lights.

"Oh, it's you."

"Now, now, Mother, don't be so cross. Get Allan here some hot cocoa."

As she disappeared behind the velvet curtain he called after her, "Ho, hoo, that's the Christmas spirit, Mother."

"How...how do you know my name?" Allan sputtered.

"It's written right on your backpack. I saw it at the restaurant. By the way, I'd be careful with that guitar. It's a Elloree, ain't it? I hear thems plenty valuable," the Santa look-alike said with a wink and a flick of a finger at the side of his

"Wha, wha, what are you doing here?"

"Oh, we always get plenty busy this time of year, doncha know? Ho, ho, ho," he clucked.

"Here's the cocoa," the old lady chirped as she reappeared from behind the curtain. She handed Allan a polished aluminum spill proof cup engraved with little reindeer and the words Santa's Helpers.

"Here you go, Allan, and this is for you, Daddy," she purred.

Allan peered into the side mirror and could have sworn he saw a blur of glitter trailing the rig's air wake. He thought it was a dream until he saw the bill for his meal pinned to the evergreen garland draped around the visor.

"You paid for my meal back there! Why'd you do it?"

"Well, Allan, I tell ya. You don't mind if I call you Allan, do you? I think you know who I work for ... "

"You mean you are..."

"Oh, heavens no, huh huh ho. I'm just in charge of the Southern Region, Deep South Division, South Louisiana Area, Cajun Ward. We're kinda like UPS only we wear red and we get better benefits."

"Wow, you guys must be really organized," Allan observed.

'Well, son, we gotta be," he continued in his deep southern drawl as the big rig roared though the fog.

"When the man is ready to go, everything is like a well-oiled machine."

"Well, it usually goes well," said the Missus. "There was that time when you-know-who pulled a hamstring.'

"Oh, you mean prima Donner? Oh, yeah that slowed SC down, but we all pulled together and somehow it worked out."

Allan looked through the window into the soupy nighttime nothingness, guessing they were crossing the Atchafalaya Basin. He knew it was impossible, but it felt like they were flying.

"But you still haven't answered me. Why did you help me back there? I mean, thanks a lot. I was really sorry, but I was just so hungry. It was irresponsible of me. I mean, my momma had sent me some money ... it was like, I should spend this for the bus ... but then it was, no way, it's time to par-tay ... and then it was like, wow, bummer, 'cause I was hungry but I had no money. What I'm trying to say is, thanks a lot for helping me, man!"

"I tell you Allan, when you fell down in the restaurant and I helped you up, I knew you were a boy with talent who needed some direction. You know the Santa corps has a lot of discretion in this helping area and I have the power to give one deserving person exactly what he needs during the holiday season.

"So you're it, Allan. I choose you. I think you're ready to find out what you want to do with your life now." Allan was dumfounded.

"You mean the music deal? I can't do that. My daddy's set on me being a vet. That's why he sent me to A&M."

The old man was nonplused. "Well, son, it doesn't make any difference. All I've given you is the possibility of a choice. I didn't say it was going to be easy. But I heard you play back there. You're a natu-



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ral born musician if ever there was one. Talent's there, but the desire is up to you."

Allan peered out the window and observed the fog was lifting, revealing the familiar wetlands along La. 70. He had no idea they had traveled so far so quickly.

The big rig downshifted and rolled to a stop in front the Richard

Allan didn't question how the man knew which house was his. He didn't care. He was home. It was 4 a.m, but he saw a light in the kitchen window. It meant his father was home from a seven-and-seven offshore shift and in the kitchen fixing couche-couche before running his extra-income crawfish traps.

Allan shook hands with the man, but the missus gave him a big hug. She whispered in his ear, "I'm so happy for you. Not many get the gift you've been given."

"Let me give you something for the gas." Allan reached for his wal-

"Oh, no son. It was my pleasure. I could never take money from you."

"Well, how about something for, like, you know, to help the little dudes who have less than me?" He handed \$50 to the missus.

He grabbed his guitar and walked away. The old lady called after him, "Oh, wait, you're forgetting your backpack." She blew him a kiss as the truck pulled away. The rig looked ordinary now, like any big truck on the road. Someone had scrawled "Wash me" above the rear bumper.

His father, stirred by the noise, met him on the front porch.

"Dad, I don't want to be a vet. I'm going on a European tour with Ralph Thibeaux and the Louisiana Ramblers next month."

Hoping it would take his father's mind of his academic failure, Allan helped him run the crawfish traps on Christmas Eve morning. The catch was good for the time of year and they were pleased. He whistled a tune as he hitched the boat to the

pickup. The melody had gotten into Allan's head during the night and would not leave him alone. Trotting to the truck, he hastily retrieved his backpack to get his music notebook. As he pulled the dog-eared pad from the pack, a red envelope fluttered to the oyster shell boat launch while the spill-proof Santa's Helpers mug clanged to the truck floor. For Allan, it read. Inside the envelope was a beautiful Nativityscene Christmas card.

Hope you liked the melody. Inspiration can come from anywhere, but it often comes from helping others. Just ask ol' Hank and Cajun Joe. Merry Christmas.

The card was signed Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. Allan smiled.

"What's that song you been whistling all day, boy?" his father asked. "It's a good tune."

#### **Attention Barrel Racers**

Winter buckle series barrel racing/pole bending begins Dec. 17 at Tin Top Arena in Lecompte. Open, novice horse and age group classes will be offered. Exhibition starts at 11 a.m. and competition will follow. Future dates include Jan. 14 & 28, Feb. 11, and March 11 & 25. For more information, call (318) 445-8907.

#### **Southern University** 63rd Annual State Livestock and 15th Annual State Market Goat Show

The Southern University livestock and goat shows will be held March 2-4, 2006, at the M.A. Edmond Livestock Arena next to Jetson Correctional.

Animal possession dates and entry form due dates are as follows:

<b>Division</b>	Possession Date	<b>Entry Date</b>
Market lambs	was Oct. 1, 2005	Nov. 1, 2005
Market goats	was Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 15, 2005
Market hogs	Dec. 15, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Beef breeding	was Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Dairy	was Nov. 30, 2005	Dec. 30, 2005
Poultry (broilers only)*	Jan. 28, 2006	Jan. 28, 2006

For more information, contact Christie Monroe at (225) 771-3510 or (225) 771-2242 ext. 328.

\*All broilers must be ordered through the Southern University Livestock Show Office. Order forms must be returned by Dec. 10.

# Coming Your Way

Coushatta's first Christmas trail ride and horse parade will begin at 10 a.m. Dec. 10 at the Coushatta

The contests and judging will begin at 4:30 p.m. with contests for Best Decorated Horse and Rider and Best Decorated Horse and Wagon. The parade will begin at

No motorized vehicles will be allowed in the parade. For more information, contact Jamie Barlow at (318) 932-4312 or (318) 932-5736, or Mack Parson at (318) 871-6471.

Don Knapp, a three-star natural horsemanship instructor, will offer a clinic Dec. 10-13 at the SugArena in New Iberia.

Knapp is certified to assess levels one and two and to teach levels one, two and three.

Cost to attend is \$400 for two days or \$500 for three

Auditor tickets are also available at a cost of \$25 for one day, \$40 for two days or \$60 for three days.

Admission is free for supervised children, 4-H members and SugArena volunteers with ID.

For more information, contact Cathe Charlier at (337) 857-0297 or ccharlier@cox-internet.com.

High Delta Exotics offers safari park wagon tours the first Sunday of every month at 362 Pickett Lane in

The cost is \$15 and a barbecue lunch is also served. For more information, call 1-888-244-3319.

Johnson & Wales University is sponsoring a recipe contest for high school seniors.

The food service and hospitality school will award nearly \$80,000 in scholarships to the winners.

Recipes must be postmarked by Jan. 9, 2006.

A "Taster of the States" recipe category is available. Students must include at least one recipe ingredient that is indigenous to their state or region of the country to compete in this category.

For more information, visit the Web site www.jwu.edu.

# Visit your local farmers market

#### **ALLEN PARISH**

#### Oakdale

Oakdale Farmers Market Hwy. 165 btwn. 6th & 7th aves. Sat. 7 a.m. until sold out

#### **BIENVILLE PARISH**

#### Gibsland

Gibsland Farmers Market Assoc.

Main Street

Wed. & Sat. 7 a.m.

until sold out

June - Oct.

#### **CADDO PARISH**

#### **Shreveport**

Festival Plaza Farmers Market river front at Festival Plaza

Wed. & Sat. 6:00 - 11 a.m. June 5-July 31

Sat. only Aug. 1-28

#### **CALCASIEU PARISH**

#### **Lake Charles**

Charlestown Farmers Market

1001 Ryan Street

Sat. 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Dates TBA

#### EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

#### **Baton Rouge**

Red Stick Farmers Market #1 On Fifth St. near Main & Galvez

Parking Garage

Sat. 8 a.m.- noon.

Jan.-Dec.

Red Stick Farmers Market #2

8470 Goodwood Blvd. Unitarian Church Parking Lot

Tues. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### May-July & Sept. - Dec.

**EVANGELINE PARISH** 

Ville Platte Farmers Market 11 East Main Street

Fri. 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Summer schedule TBA

#### **IBERIA PARISH**

#### **New Iberia**

Teche Area Farmers Market Iberia St. & Main St.

Tues. 4 - 7 p.m. Sat. 7 - 10:30 a.m.

year round

#### **LAFAYETTE PARISH**

#### Lafayette

Acadiana Farmers Market 801 Foreman Dr. & Dulles St. Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

Jan. - Dec.

#### Lafayette

City Garden Market River Ranch

Sat. 8 a.m. - noon

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#### **LAFOURCHE PARISH**

#### **Thibodaux**

Thibodaux Main Street Market 310 West 2nd Street

Sat. 7 - 11 a.m.

#### April-July & Sept.-Dec. **MADISON PARISH**

#### Tallulah

Tallulah Farmers Market 408 N. Cedar St., Hwy. 165 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

8 a.m. - noon, May-Nov. **NATCHITOCHES PARISH** 

#### **Natchitoches**

Cane River Green Market Cane River Bank Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

April - Nov. 15 **ORLEANS PARISH** 

#### **New Orleans**

Crescent City Farmers Market

Locations:

#1-700 Magazine St. & Girod St.

Saturday 8 a.m. - noon

Jan. - Dec.

#2 - Uptown Square, 200

Broadway

Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. #3 - French Market Place &

Governor Nicholls

Wed. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. #4 - American Can Parking Lot

3700 Orleans Ave.

Thurs. 3 p.m.-7 p.m., year round

#### **OUACHITA PARISH**

#### Monroe

Monroe Farmers Market 1212 Washington St.

Mon. - Sat. 6 a.m. - 1 p.m.

June - Aug. 20

**West Monroe** 

West Monroe Farmers Market 1700 North 7th St. Mon. - Sat.

6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### ST. LANDRY PARISH

#### **Opelousas**

St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St., Hwy. 90 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

6 a.m. - 11 a.m., Jan.-Dec.

#### ST. MARTIN PARISH St. Martinville

St. Martinville Creole Farmers

Market

Evangeline Blvd. & Main St. Sat. 9 a.m. - 12:30, May-Dec.

#### ST. TAMMANY PARISH

#### Covington

Covington Farmers Market City Hall, 609 North Columbia Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wed. noon - 4 p.m. Jan. - Dec.

#### Mandeville

Mandeville Trailhead Community

Market 675 Lafitte St.

Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### TANGIPAHOA PARISH

#### Hammond

Cate Square Farmers Market Charles St. & Oak St.

Sat. 9 a.m. - noon, Jan. - Dec.

#### TERREBONNE PARISH

#### Houma

Cajun Farmers Market of Houma

- Terrebonne

Tunnel Blvd. & Naquin St. Mon. - Sat.

#### 6 a.m. - 6 p.m., Jan. - Dec. **WASHINGTON PARISH**

#### **Bogalusa**

Bogalusa Farmers Market 500 Block of Columbia St. Sat., 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### Jun. - Oct. 2

#### **WEST FELICIANA PARISH** St. Francisville

St. Francisville Farmers Market agricultural pavilion (4-H Barn) Wilcox St.

Thurs. 1:30-5:30 p.m., May-Nov.

#### **WINN PARISH**

Winnfield

Winn Farmers Market 301 West Main & St. John St.

Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 7 - 10 a.m. June & July

Thurs. 7 - 10 a.m., Aug. - Nov.

For more information, see our Web site at: www.ldaf.state.la.us click on Farmers Market Nutrition Program

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Five Years

# Santa in Sulphur

#### a Christmas short story by Sam Irwin with illustrations by Duncan Moore

"Dang, I'm hungry," Allan Richard said.

Allan was glad to be getting back to south Louisiana where everyone pronounced his name Cajun style, Ree-shard, instead of the redneck way they did in College Station. He even missed the way his family called him Ah-lan.

Allan was, in a word, a mess. He had barely stayed academically eligible in veterinary science and unwisely spent most of the money his parents sent on having a good time.

Having blown his bus fare on an after-finals bonfire beer blast he and his Aggie friends held at a camp in the Big Thicket Woods, he now found himself on the eastbound shoulder of Interstate 10 hitchhiking instead of Greyhounding to Pierre Part, his hometown. His was the absolute last drop dead final of the semester. His Louisiana buddies had completed their tests and vamoosed, so he was unable to procure a ride home to the bayou.

A friendly truck driver deposited him at the Sulphur exit, a few miles inside the Louisiana border. It was the week before Christmas and he was already one day overdue. He slung his softside guitar case over one shoulder, adjusted his backpack on the other and repositioned his maroon Texas A&M baseball cap over his hippie length hair.

The sun was setting on Texas as Allan walked off the interchange in search of a warm place to wash his bearded face. Once off the interstate, he spied a large sign advertising "Cajun Joe's Buffet...All De Cajun Food You Can Eat, Yeah." He crossed La. 27 and proceeded down Pecan Drive as the sign directed. A trim sidewalk brought him past a cemetery to the restaurant's parking lot. Allan laughed to himself, "I hope there's no food poisoning victims in there"

Cajun Joe's was the ultimate south Louisiana tourist trap. The lobby was full of Louisiana souvenirs like glazed crawfish mounds attached to miniature Cajun pirogues complete with red-glittered plastic crawfish peering from the hole. Baseball hats and T-shirts silk-screened with "Cajun Joe" were prominently displayed on the wall behind the cashier.

Finding his way to the bathroom, he washed up and again realized how hungry he felt. He thought back to his last meal, a pack of spicy Ramen noodles. What a bargain at 20 packs for \$1 at the AggieLand Super-Fresh! He had practically

Duncan Moore is a level designer for Insomniac Games. He has recently helped design the latest in the "Ratchet and Clank" video game series. He is the author's stepson.

lived on pasta all semester, preferring to spend his money on beer and more beer. His spare time was spent playing guitar at every open mic he could find. He wasn't quite sure how he had done it, but his last meal had been more than twenty-four hours earlier. The smiling waitress showed him a table. She didn't seem bothered a bit by his hippie-like appearance.

"Merry Christmas, *cher*. I'm Priscilla, your waitress. Here's the menu, but we have an all-you-caneat buffet for \$8.95. If you like that you can start right away, but tie your shoelace. I don't want you to trip and fall."

Allan glanced downward. "Thanks, I'm going to look at the menu for a bit."

At first he was just going to eat the complimentary crackers sandwiched with ketchup, but the smell of fried shrimp and catfish called to him like the Sirens to Odysseus.

Allan looked around nonchalantly. Restaurant patrons were walking by with mounds of jambalaya, French bread and seafood boulettes piled high upon their plates. Allan Richard was a good boy and had never stolen a thing in his life, but he was desperately hungry and it smelled too much like his mama's kitchen. He decided he was going to eat something even though he had no money and then ... well, he had no plan other than eating

Priscilla came by his table, "Have you decided what 'cha havin', *cher*? I can get you whatever you want or you can have the buffet."

"I'm gonna have the buffet." That said, Allan proceeded to the line and took a small portion, as if the amount of food he was stealing mattered.

As he enjoyed the succulent fried catfish he casually glanced about the room and its little details. The walls behind the small bandstand in the corner were papered with publicity photos from various musicians, some famous in Louisiana, some famous nationally. There was a black

and white photo of Dolly Parton at 13 with an album jacket featuring her on the Goldband label. Another publicity shot featured Iry LeJeune's Cajun band. Posters of various Cajun and bluegrass folk festivals, old fiddles and stuffed bullfrogs hung alongside taxidermied deer racks, mallard ducks and leaping bass.

Sitting at the table adjacent to him was an elderly white-haired gentleman and his equally white-haired wife. He was dressed workman style — red plaid western shirt and khaki work pants — and a pair of goldrimmed spectacles rested on the end of a bulbous nose. His wife wore her hair in a short curly perm. She also had gold-rimmed glasses perched on the bridge of her nose. Allan smiled at the couple in acknowledgment and gave them no more thought until a little girl shyly approached the bearded man.

He heard the old man ask the little girl, "How old are you? Have you been a good girl this year?" Allan could not fathom why the child was so interested in the old man until an old comedy bit played in his head. Santa Claus. He's the dude with the hair on his jaws.

Allan amused himself thinking of all the different names for the Christmas icon — Pere Noel, Sinter Klaus, St. Nick, Father Christmas, Jolly Elf.

He soon forgot about the Santa Claus look-alike and began to enjoy himself. For the first time in weeks, Allan Richard, slacker and soon-to-be-college-drop-out, was eating a good meal and relaxing without the pressure of school and family. He had even forgotten he had no money to pay for his meal.

Priscilla jolted him from his idyll. "Is everything all right? You can go back for seconds and we got lots of bread pudding and cobbler for dessert."

"Uh, thanks."

He began to worry, but it didn't stop him from returning to the buffet



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line. This time he returned to his table with a plate loaded with shrimp, jambalaya and French fries. He cast a furtive look at the fat man. Another small child was chatting with the Santa Claus man. The resemblance was amazing, the man had the ruddy cheeks, the twinkling eyes, the cherry nose and of course, the belly that shook like jelly.

As he got up for thirds, Allan tripped on the untied shoe string and nearly fell upon the old man. Putting his hands out to brace himself, he fell to the floor. The empty plate rolled away.

"You better watch out," the whitehaired gentleman said as he offered Allan a hand.

"Oh, excuse me. I am so sorry. I guess I'm not paying attention to what I'm doing."

As Allan reached for the old man's proffered hand, a mild electric shock ran through his body. A children's carol came to mind. *He sees you* 

when you're sleeping. He knows when you're awake. He knows when you've been bad or good ... Allan was standing up now ... so be good for goodness sakes!

"Oh, paying attention is a good trait to have. I've been doing it for years. Isn't that right, Missus?" the fat man asked his wife and gave her a wink.

"Indeed you have, Daddy, indeed you have," said the missus.
"Sorry to have bothered you, sir."

"Sorry to have bothered you, sir."
"Oh, no bother at all."

"You know, I've been good, sort of," Allan offered.

"Haven't we all," said the white haired man. "Haven't we all."

With that, Allan picked up his backpack and walked past the crowded check out counter, past the cheesy tourist items and out the front door.

The sky was now dark and Allan quick-marched by the cemetery, *See Santa in Sulphur, page 2* 



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